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PICKENS AND THEIR DESCENDENTS,  
INCLUDING INFORMATION OF  
OTHER RELATED PICKENS  
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## DEDICATION

Dedicated to the memory of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, who, by their courage in frontier living, left a rich heritage, worthy of emulation by the succeeding generations of their posterity.

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## FOREWORD

A printed family history is a boon to the genealogist or to anyone in need of information of a time when records were not so available as now. It is of great value to those who long to know more about their ancestry and surely few can fail to be interested when the record is down in black and white for their use.

Even in our period of time it was almost too late to write a Pickens history. Another generation would have been hopelessly lost in trying to figure it all out. A splendid Pickens history, collected by Monroe Pickens (deceased) of Greenville, South Carolina and compiled and published by Kate Pickens Day of Easley, South Carolina, is just off the press. It, together with our history furnish, as far as I can ascertain, the only printed collections of Pickens information. It is to be hoped that others of the name from various States of the Union will write their histories. A collection of such family records would be most interesting and valuable.

The object of this history has been to set down correct facts in as far as I have been able to obtain them and to put our record in concise form so that with some study, even the younger members of the Pickens line may become quite well acquainted with others of their kin.

In the history I have included not only matter concerning Pickens people with whom we are directly connected; but also brief histories of other families of special interest to the various lines which make up our group. Also articles and pictures that lend atmosphere and color to the given material.

In the preparation of this book I have sensed the nearness of the myriads who lived before us and have been stirred beyond expression by the wonderful letters and the individual contacts I have made. The work has been arduous and at times discouraging but it has also been a thrilling adventure and a worth while hobby. Your response to my exacting inquiries has been most heartening. Without the help of all of you this history would not have been possible.

It is with a sense of relief and a certain amount of satisfaction that I turn in this material for publication and yet with some misgivings. There will be errors, I'm sure, for which none will be more regretful than I and there are some facts which so far have remained unobtainable. But much information has been ferreted out and I hope the book meets with your approval and that you will become so familiar with the descendants of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens that you will feel something of the intimate kinship with each one as I who am absolutely steeped with it, feel.

With awesome reverence for our departed ones and with a hearty greeting to all the living, I send in this completed history for your interest and pleasure.

Respectfully,

Nellie Pickens Anderson



## CHARACTERISTICS OF THE COVENANTERS

Covenanter is a term used by some historians as synonymous in meaning with a person of Scotch-Irish Stock. Oliver P. Temple of Knoxville, Tennessee, published a history in 1899, entitled "East Tennessee and the Civil War." It includes some interesting and valuable information concerning the type of the Tennessee immigrant. He quotes from other authors and I shall give these references as found in his book.

"In the first place, it should be noticed that they were not socially poor peasants, such as Ireland has contributed to America in later days. Among them were wealthy yeomen, and in their ranks were the most intelligent of Irish manufacturers. Nor were they children of ignorance. Although their schools had been closed by law (in Ireland), they had all found means of private instruction in the common branches; while those desirous of a higher education — and they were numerous — had made their way to the Universities of Edinburgh and Glasgow. When they came to America, these Scotch-Irishmen were not only among the most industrious and virtuous, but they were, like the early settlers of New England the best educated, of the English speaking race."<sup>1</sup>

Theodore Roosevelt says of these early settlers; "As in Western Virginia, the first settlers came, for the most part, from Pennsylvania; so, in turn, in what was then Western North Carolina and is now Eastern Tennessee, the first settlers came mainly from Virginia, and, indeed, in great part, from the same Pennsylvania stock."<sup>2</sup>

The pioneers "that had settled in Virginia, were a part of the Covenanter race which had immigrated from Ireland in such numbers between the years 1728 and 1775 and had landed in Philadelphia. Many of them passed over into Virginia, and found homes in the beautiful valley of Virginia, or the Shenandoah. Finally, many of them crossed the Blue Ridge and Alleghenies, and settled on the Holston and the Watauga. These formed a part, possibly the larger part, of the first settlers of Tennessee." (Temple).

Mr. Temple says we are not left in doubt as to "who they were, or as to their moral standing and intellectual attainments and quotes from a manuscript written by Hon. David Campbell, a son of "one of the Holston pioneers giving an account of the early settlers on the Holston, in Southwest Virginia." "The settlers on the Lower Holston, in Tennessee, were but an overflow of the same race of men from the Upper Holston." (Temple).

The following quotation from Campbell is of special significance to our history since our John and Letitia Hannah Pickens came from the Holston in Virginia to Tennessee. Mr. Campbell says: "The first settlers on the Holston River were a remarkable race of men for their intelligence, enterprise and hardy adventure. The greater portion of them had emigrated from the counties of Botetourt, Augusta and Frederick and other (counties) along the same valley, and from the upper counties of Maryland and Pennsylvania; were mostly descendents of Irish stock (Scotch-Irish), and generally, where they had religious opinions were Presbyterians. A very large proportion were re-

ligious and many were members of the church.”<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> “The Puritan in Holland, England and America,” Vol. II p. 479

<sup>2</sup> “Winning of the West”, Vol. I, p. 162

<sup>3</sup> “Winning of the West”, Vol. I, p. 167

## THE MEANING OF A NAME

It is said that the hereditary surname as we know it dates back to a period of only about nine hundred years. Previous to that time persons were called by their given names. The origin of surnames stemmed from various beginnings as from personal characteristics as Roger Little from a person of small size or black-haired William who became William Black. Also the trades furnished names as Currier, who was a dresser of skins and Webster who was a weaver. About the time of Edward V a law was passed compelling certain Irish outlaws to adopt a surname and in the beginning of the nineteenth century a similar decree compelled Jews in Germany and Austria to add a German surname to their single names.

Thus a variety of ways and innumerable differences of spelling names developed. It is said that Shakespeare's name is found in twenty-seven different forms, and the majority of English and Anglo-American surnames have, in their history, appeared in four to a dozen or more variant spellings.

The Pickens name is no exception to this rule as from Media Research we have: “The name Pickens is believed by some authorities to have been a variant of the ancient Saxon name of Piggin or Piggins, which was probably derived from a nickname for Richard. Other authorities claim, however, that it was of Scotch origin and was first used without the final s. At any rate the name is found in the ancient British records in the various forms of Piggin, Piggins, Piggings, Pickyngs, Pickin, Pickins and Pickens,” in the form as we now use it. Another writer thinks it is derived from the French “Picon.”

However the name started or whatever changes it has undergone, the important thing is what it has come to mean to the bearer of the name. Again Media Research says: “Those Americans who possess old and honored names—who trace the history of their surnames back to sturdy immigrant ancestors, across the seas, and into the dim mists of antiquity — may be rightfully proud of their heritage. While the name in its origin, may seem ingenious, humble, surprising, or matter-of-fact, its significance today lies not in a literal interpretation of its original meaning but in the many things that have happened to it since it first came into use. In the beginning it was only a word, a convenient label to distinguish one John from his neighbor who lived across the field.

But soon it established itself as a part of the bearer's individuality; and as it passed to his children, his children's children, and their children, it became the symbol not of one man but of a family and all that that family stood for. Handed down from generation to generation, it grew inseparably associated with the achievement, the tradition and the prestige of the family. Like the coat of arms — that vivid symbolization of the name which warrior ancestors



bore in battle — the name itself, borne through every event in a man's life and through the lives of scores of his progenitors, became the badge of family honor — the "good name" to be proud of, to protect, and to fight for if need be. As the worthy deeds of the marching generations have given it dignity and splendor, it has become an institution, a family rallying cry, and the most treasured possession of those who bear it.

## OUR HERITAGE

Some people show scant interest in their ancestors. Others, grasping the significance of a line of descent, appreciate all possible knowledge of their forebears. Evan L. Reed says that "according to Sir Francis Galton, each parent contributes about one-fourth of a child's heritage, the grandparents one-sixteenth and so on." In the light of such definite connection between generations of people, a line of ancestry assumes a role of some importance.

In the Mormon faith all families are taught the religious necessity of "seeking after their dead." A part of their belief is said to be that the family will be a unit in the future paradise and living children "have a distinct obligation to seek the records of their progenitors."

In Volume 18 Virginia Magazine of History and Biography on page 240 a reference is made to such names as Washington, Lee, Reade, Lewis and Pickens as being of royal or noble ancestry. Media Research says that "Families of the Pickens name were for the most part of the landed gentry and yeomanry of Great Britain." Be that as it may, the fact that most of us, at least, have had to work with our hands and struggle for any success or attainment that have been ours, is the most noble thing that can be said about us.

Media Research also says: "Descendants of the Pickens family in America have spread to practically every State in the Union and have aided as much in the growth of the country as their ancestors aided in the founding of the Nation. They have been noted for their energy, industry, integrity, piety, perseverance, fortitude, resourcefulness, initiative, patience, loyalty and courage." The inheritance of only a few of these qualities would make for above average living.

We do not base our claim to a noble ancestry upon any ideas of a false or snobbish character. We do claim and rightfully so, as a perusal of the record will show that the various generations of the Pickens family have lived, for the most part, quite creditable lives. In the variety of the occupations represented in our record, we find ability, ingenuity, tenacity of purpose, leadership and withal a desire to be independent and to serve one's fellowman. One senses also that a great courage in meeting life's difficulties has prevailed through the succeeding generations.

In wars, throughout our Nation's history, our clan has done nobly. Many have served, some with their lives, and all with honor and loyalty, in the several wars with which we have been connected, including our present international difficulties.

In the church and community the country over, the influence of our family has been felt. Often the service has been quite unheralded but the faithfulness and desire have been there and the family imprint has been for good. Yes, we have a noble ancestry; one of courage, honesty, integrity and religious fidelity. With the inspiration of such a heritage we dare not live less nobly.

## THE ERA OF THE PIONEER

No attempt is made to give an account of a strictly historical background, but feel that both from the interest of the material itself and from its connection with the days of our ancestors, some findings of the early life of our country might be helpful in a better understanding of the time in which they lived.

In view of the hardships endured by the pioneers of our Tennessee civilization, one has a natural curiosity as to why they ventured away from the seemingly likable locations of Virginia and the Carolinas to a new and unknown country.

Those who first blazed the trail were trappers, explorers and hunters. Soon, as early as 1785 or before, permanent settlers were coming to the Eusebia section. Many came of their own volition; others coming to visit relatives, remained to stay. Perhaps the lure of the unknown and a kindred Gypsy feeling of adventure, influenced all. Exiles from oppression, overjoyed with a chance to roam at will, they were in a state of unrest, easily influenced by the stories of opportunity on the other side of the mountain.

Their natural desires were further aroused by the fact that the newly opened territory in our section, made possible the claiming of land for a nominal sum of money, sometimes for twelve and one-half cents an acre. This was enough of an urge for a pastoral people. So the venturesome pioneers sallied forth and came to the present part of Blount County, commonly called the Eusebia section.

Their trek was not an easy one. At first there were only trails or traces made by the Indians, or by animals of the forest. It is said a single Indian trail was the only entrance to the eastern border of Tennessee for many years. It is said also that cattle, hogs, sheep, turkeys and even slaves were driven on foot along the trail to a market to be sold.

Increased usage of Indian trails by the early immigrants caused the Indians to object to such usage. At Monterey, Tennessee, a band of Indians demanded that the white people pay toll for the use of their trail. Accordingly a meeting of the Chiefs was called by Gov. Blount at which time the Indians were offered \$1,000 per year for the use of their trails.

Trails were so often beset with danger that they were guarded by State militia, who met the band of immigrants and escorted them to their destination. Selden Nelson says that "the great Indian Warpath passes the southern section of the Eusebia settlement about one mile from the church and this community



was evidently known twenty-five years before the birth of Knoxville. No doubt some of the whites who met their death at Fort Loudon passed along this trail in 1756."

Roads came into being gradually, but slowly. About 1777 Washington County, embracing what is now the State of Tennessee, was formed from Washington District by the general assembly of North Carolina. Shortly thereafter a road was marked out "from the court house of Washington County into the county of Burke." In 1784 immigrants could travel by a wagon road.

At the first meeting of the Court of Knox County, Tennessee, July 16, 1792 it was decided to open several roads. A Post road from Abingdon, Va., to Knoxville was established by an Act of Congress, May 8, 1794. The territorial Assembly made provisions to aid transportation between East Tennessee and the Cumberland settlements, by way of Knoxville. On July 31, 1795 the Gazette announced that this "waggon road" was now opened. Rev. E. M. Sharp spoke of the story of one John Pickens who, traveling the road in an early day, was frightened by the knowledge that Indians were near and jumped over a wagon. He wondered if it could have been our John. Well, maybe so, I think it was worth a try, don't you?

The river was much used in the early days of exploration. The Watauga settlers used the Tennessee and Holston Rivers in various dealings with the Indians. About 1798 or 1799, two boats carrying five tons each, from the South Fork of Holston, in Virginia, a distance estimated by water above three hundred miles, arrived at Knoxville, Tennessee. The cargo consisted of flour, salt and whiskey. The Gazette of January 23, 1795 announced by John McFarlan that his two boats of "twenty-five and fifteen tons burden respectively, would be ready to sail for New Orleans by the 1st of March next, (the waters answering)." One of the first acts of the first Knox County Court was to grant a franchise to Alexander Cunningham to operate a ferry across the river from Knoxville to what is now South Knoxville.

In 1786 settlers were around Eusebia in sufficient numbers to organize that church. Dr. Wilson in an address at the 1924 homecoming of Eusebia Church spoke of the contemporary history at the time of the founding of the church and said, "Only ten years had elapsed since the declaration of independence, and only three years since the close of the Revolutionary war; while ten more years were to go by before a State of Tennessee was to be organized. It was three years before the Constitution of the United States was inaugurated. It was three years before the new nation chose its first President, George Washington. It was while the Articles of Confederation were still in force, if we may use such a word of so feeble a method of government."

To this might be added that Sevier County was formed September 3, 1791, Knox County, June 11, 1792, and Blount County, July, 1795. The University of Tennessee (Blount College) was established September 10, 1794 and Maryville College in 1819. The Knoxville Gazette was printing its pages in 1792. The first post office was established at Knoxville in November, 1794 with George Roulstone as postmaster. The seal of Tennessee was engraved April 25, 1797.

The early settlers in our section must have experienced some difficulties in winters. Ramsey's Annals has this to say: "The winter of 1796-97 is chronicled as the coldest ever experienced by the oldest inhabitant. On the evening of the 22nd of December, the river was entirely free from ice. On the morning of the 23rd, the ice was moving down the river in great quantities; on the 24th the river was frozen over and was crossed by horsemen upon the ice. On the 25th, a Christmas dinner was given upon the ice, by the Federal officers at Tellico Block-house, to a large company of gentlemen and ladies." The location of the Block-house was in Monroe County, some twenty-five miles south of the Pickens habitation in Blount County, but judging from the cool air which comes from the mountains to the Eusebia section, I can feel certain that the winter there was also severe.

Many interesting facts are found about the use of money or substitutes for it, in the early history of our country. Money was scarce in colonial times and often unknown in business transactions. In 1631 in Massachusetts it was ordered that corn should pass for the payment of all debts at the usual rate for which it was sold. Also in 1656, "musket balls, full bore, were legal tender." In 1680 the town of Hilham paid its taxes in milk-pails. In Virginia, in the days of 1632, tobacco was the standard of value. In 1688 a stipend of sixteen thousand pounds of tobacco was given by law to each clergyman.

In North Carolina in 1722, debts and rents were generally made payable in hides, tallow, furs or other products of the country. The Franklin Legislature passed an act about 1785 concerning the payment of land and poll taxes with various articles such as, good flax, linen, linsey, beaver and otter skins, bacon, clean beeswax, good distilled rye whiskey, good peach or apple brandy, good country-made sugar, etc. About the same time Davidson County passed an act which read: "For the better furnishings of troops . . . that one-fourth of the tax of this county be paid in corn, two-fourths in beef, pork, etc., one-eighth in salt and one-eighth in money."

I found a notation that when Sam Houston taught school in Blount County, Tennessee, when eighteen years old, (the term was for one year, probably a three month school term), the pay was "eight dollars per year for tuition; one-third payable in cash, one-third in corn and one-third in domestic cotton cloth." It was a general custom of the early days to pay for labor with labor and often to swap the commodity one possessed for a different one owned by another. A certain portion of flour or meal paid for the grinding, a part of the timber was left in payment for the sawed lumber, produce was swapped in the few needs of the settlers for the scanty supplies in the store and so on indefinitely. Suffice it to say that the system of barter served a real need in the era of the early beginnings of our people.

Some interesting notations are found about the necessary commodity, salt. It appears that salt was brought in the earliest days on pack-horses from Augusta and Richmond and sold for the price of ten dollars a bushel. So scarce was this commodity that the "salt gourd in every cabin was considered a treasure." The General Assembly of Tennessee in 1789 authorized acts which enabled the courts to sell several salt "licks" at which salt could be manufactured. In the Gazette at Knoxville, November 12, 1824, "200 wagons



are wanted to haul salt from Goose Creek Salt Works, for which the same price will be given in cash as is now paid for hauling from King's Salt Works." In this issue cheap salt was also advertised at one dollar per bushel.

I had access to an old store record of Nathaniel Cowan who had the first store in Knoxville around 1792. A perusal of the items sold was a revelation as compared to the wonder stores of the present age. There was an occasional sale of such items as 3 yards of home-made linen, ninety cents; 2 yards calico, 1 yard purple "ribband" and Corduroy at \$1.76. Thread was sold in skeins and by ounces. A man named Christian bought a gallon of whiskey and two cloaks.

Mention is made of a few books; a hymn book, a Bible, a Testament, a Geography at nine dollars and three books of Essays on Old Maids. Other items include a case of pistols, a few close (clothes) brushes, a parlour looking glass, several wool hats, a powder horn, duck oven, candle snuffers, one large kettle and two pot-hooks; one oil-cloth carpet for ten cents, a sickle and scythe, a quire of paper, two sticks of sealing wax, six papers of ink powder, three lasts and twelve pounds of sole leather.

Of historical interest are the entries in this book to Capt. John Chisholm and his wife on August 15, 1799. They had opened the first tavern in Knoxville in 1792. Among their purchases were, a pen knife, some linen and calico, one-half pound of imperial tea, five pounds of sugar, four pounds of coffee, one coffee pot and one coffee mill.

Another entry lists purchases made from January 23 to February 10, 1801 to Governor William Blount. The items include, one floor brush, four window bolts, two cupboard locks and four bunches of nails; a desk and book case, oil cloth carpet, citching (kitchen) furniture and a tea-kettle. These items evidently were for use in his home, the Blount Mansion at Knoxville, which has been restored and now treasured as a museum. It is said to be the oldest frame house built west of the Allegheny Mountains. There is also mentioned an unsettled obligation of August 5, 1799 of a "wagoning" expense against William Blount for work done in hauling three loads of wood and flour to South Carolina.

Excerpts from the Knoxville Register November 14, 1823, give interesting glimpses into the early period. There were several notices of escaped slaves; one skinflint offers a reward of "6 cents to any person who will deliver to me a bound negro boy. The above reward will be given but no thanks."

Hats of 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th qualities could be purchased and notices were given that cash would be paid for musk-rat and good otter skins.

Boot and shoe manufacturing was in progress in 1825 and one advertisement on shoes is of special interest as: "Indian rubber shoes — lately imported in Philadelphia; shoes that are comfortable and useful; females are beginning to exhibit a little more prudence in their winter apparel and it is very likely that bills of mortality would be most happily lessened were there Gum Elastic shoes substituted for the fashionable sandals now in use."

A notice was given of a fulling mill — “as healthy as any in the State.” And in regard to health the statement was made that there was an epidemic of influenza, which had affected 30,000 people. A treatment was suggested as “1 ounce of castor oil and the same quantity of turpentine mixed and swallowed at a draught gives most immediate relief.” Closely connected with bodily relief is this proverb for success: “Go not to your doctor for every ill, not to your lawyer for every quarrel nor to your bottle for every thirst.”

A teacher was wanted in August, 1824 in McMinn County and “any one who can come well recommended will meet with employment probably for 5 years.” Notice of a private school operated by a Mrs. Anderson at Knoxville appeared in various copies of the Register and the curriculum was quite a staggering one. It included, Writing, the rudiments of the English Language, Arithmetic, Geography, History, Natural Philosophy, Drawing, Tambourining, Embroidery and all kinds of ornamental work.” All boarding students were expected to board with the teacher. The tuition for 1823 was \$100 and board \$15. The term was from March to November.

Many other interesting facts about the early days could be mentioned; the foregoing is sufficient to give color to the time our ancestors lived. When John Pickens, our pioneer ancestor settled on his Blount County farm, it became his permanent home. He lived the rugged life of his frontier neighbors, meeting hardships with courage and building for a better day in his community and for the furtherance of our American way of life.

(Part of the material for the foregoing article was secured from “The Founding of Knoxville”—by Stanley J. Folmsbee Ph.D. and Lucile Deaderick, Ramsey’s Annals, and various other periodicals, etc.)

## MILITARY HISTORY

### REVOLUTIONARY PERIOD

Background material for family history would not be complete without mention of some of the wars of earlier days. In the Revolutionary period the Pickens family was well represented. A complete list of participants is impossible both on account of the lack of proven participation and also because of the lack of knowledge of many names in our group who were early patriots.

Media Research lists names of Pickens men in the Revolution as: “John, George, Corporal James, Alexander, Samuel and William of Massachusetts; William and Corporal Samuel of Rhode Island; Brigadier-General Andrew Pickens of South Carolina and numerous others.”

There were several Pickens men in wars in the early days of our country in Virginia and the Carolinas aside from the General Andrew above mentioned. Among them were: Captain Joseph Pickens, Captain John Pickens, Captain Robert Pickens, William Pickens, another Andrew Pickens, another William Pickens and Samuel Pickens.



Men of the early days were very courageous but also believed in fair play. An interesting example is found in the historic document of December, 1787, which was signed by James and John Pickens of upper East Tennessee and by citizens of Blount county as well as by a host from other sections. It is a request from the "inhabitants of the Western Country, to the Honorable Assembly of North Carolina now sitting" and concerned the desire of a "new government (Tennessee) which would greatly contribute to our welfare and convenience and that the same could not militate against your interest and future welfare as a government. We hope that having settled west of the Appalachian Mountains ought not to deprive us of the natural advantages designed by the bountiful hand of Providence for the convenience and comfort of all those who have spirit and sagacity enough to seek after them." There is a clause of reminder of how well the patriots in the new Tennessee had fought for our country with great loss of life and fortunes and the conclusion that, "we therefore humbly conceive you will liberally think that it will be nothing more than paying a debt in full to us for only to grant what God, Nature, and our locality entitles us to receive." (State Records of North Carolina by Clark.)

## THE CIVIL WAR PERIOD

The Civil War of 1860-65 was one of stress, strain, hardship and division of family allegiance not easily imagined or understood by those of this era, removed by so many years from the time of the conflict. Family division in this war greatly affected the Pickens family. Those of the Carolinas were almost solid for the Confederacy, while those of the Pickens name and kindred names here were almost wholly in sympathy with the Union cause.

Major McTeer in his Autobiography wrote of this section in regard to the enlistment of Civil War soldiers in this manner: "From Little River to the Sevier County line and from Bays Mountain to Chilhowee, there is a territory of eight square miles. It was sparsely settled in those days but had sent 125 soldiers to the Union Army, of whom 45 never returned. Ten had joined the Confederacy and six of them were lost."

Major McTeer also wrote some interesting facts of his experiences in the service. He spoke of a courier line and said, it was established by placing a corporal or sergeant with four or five men at stations, some mile or two apart, between Nashville and Murfreesboro. They were required to have a man constantly in readiness with his horse saddled and ready to mount, while he was armed and equipped. The sender of a message to be sent from the end of the line, would have on the letter the address of the destination, and the urgency of the message was denoted by such words as run, gallop, trot, walk, etc. Major McTeer also wrote of an interesting invention. It was called Armstrong's Mill, and was made by punching holes in half of a canteen with the point of a bayonet to form a grater. The soldiers would put this grater in the haversack and as they marched along would gather ears

of corn from a field and grate the kernels as they rode. He said the grating was done by so many and so vigorously that a din was created which could be easily heard. The corn was a little past the roasting stage and produced a coarse meal which was considered very good.

The 3rd Tennessee Cavalry was begun in the Fall of 1862 and its roster contained among other East Tennesseans, several names found in our history and perhaps several that I do not know about. The cavalry was started by William C. Pickens of Sevier County who later became Colonel. In Company A of this cavalry unit (mostly from Blount and Sevier counties), Samuel Wiley Pickens was Major and in this and other companies were: Major Ben Cunningham, Lt. Thomas M. Pickens, Samuel and William Pickens, 2nd Lt. William C. McCammon, Captain Oliver P. McCammon, Alexander McCammon and Thomas McCammon.

This third Tennessee Cavalry had a reunion at Maryville, Tennessee, Oct. 30, 1899. From a clipping, I find that the meeting was held at the Blount County Court House and that it was well-filled. Rev. Caleb Rule, who was chaplain of the Sultana Survivors Association for a number of years, opened the meeting with prayer. Addresses were given by several men who were well known in this section, part of them members of our Pickens group namely, Col. John B. Minnis, Major Will A. McTeer, Major Ben Cunningham, Rev. Caleb Rule and O. P. McCammon.

Col. Minnis spoke of the trials of reaching the Union lines at the time of enlistment; Major McTeer gave some personal experiences of the siege of Cumberland Gap; Major Cunningham told of the fall of Sulphur Trestle; Rev. Rule told the story of the Sultana disaster and O. P. McCammon told of the retreat from Cumberland Gap, the short rations, the perils of travel and "drinking from the same washpan" and the arrival on the Ohio river.

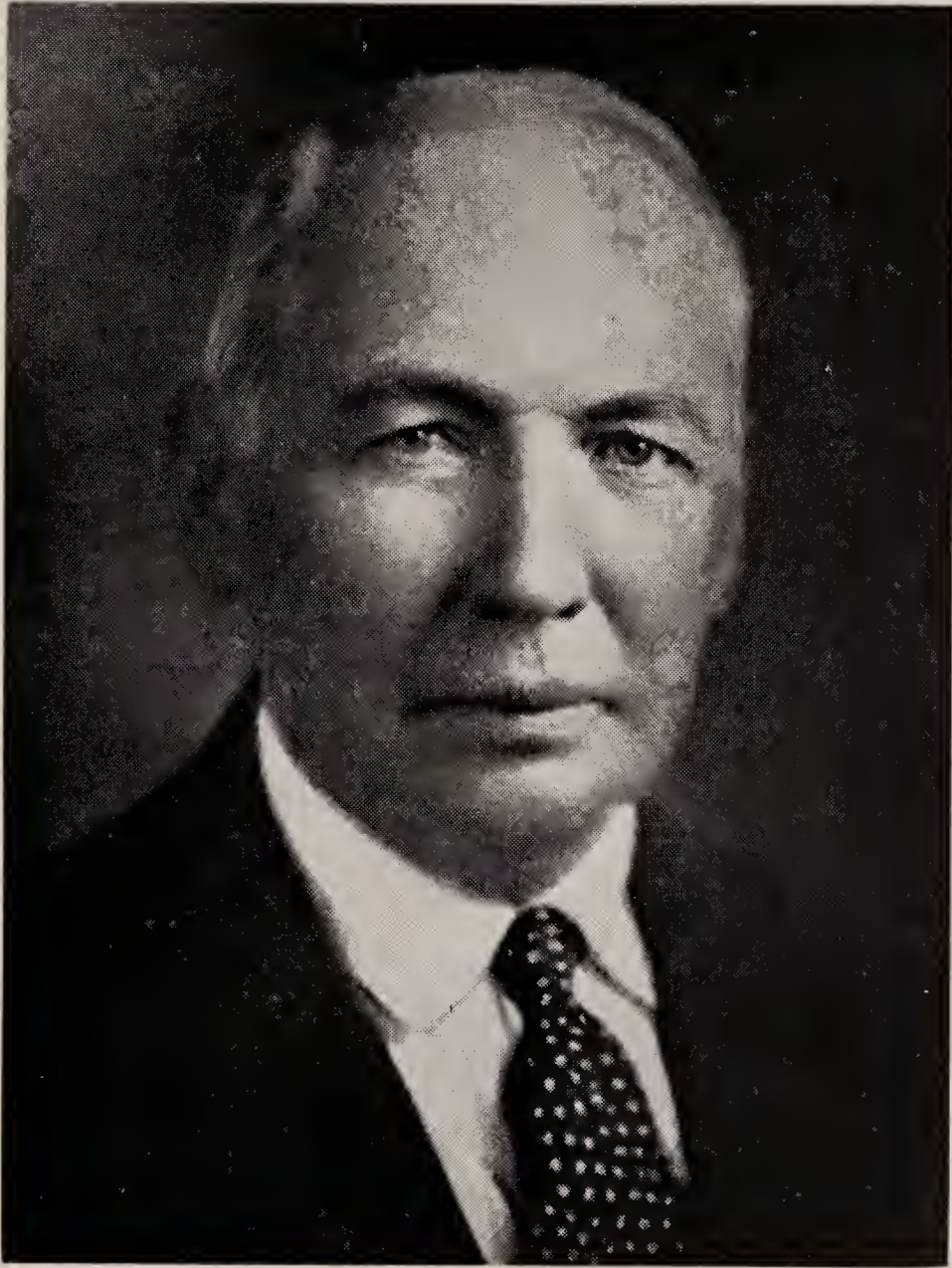
Resolutions were read by the Com. Col. John B. Minnis, Captain S. T. Harris and Samuel Pickens. Officers elected were Will A. McTeer, President and Ben Cunningham, Secretary. It was decided to meet September 25, 1890 on the anniversary of the fall of Sulphur Trestle and the place was to be "South America," Knox County, Tennessee.

## THE SULTANA DISASTER

Pertinent to mention of the Civil War period is the incident of the Sultana disaster. I can perhaps be pardoned for a very deep interest in this explosion, since my father, Samuel Pickens was aboard and his brother William Pickens lost his life at the time of this fateful occurrence. But others of our history are closely connected by ties of kinship or friendship to the comrades of the Sultana. For this reason and because it was a marine disaster of such magnitude and yet of little record, a short history of the occurrence is included in these brief references to War Periods.

On April 27, 1865 occurred one of the greatest marine disasters of history. The loss of life is officially listed as 1,400, while it was the general belief of the survivors that owing to incomplete records 1700 perished. How-





Thomas McMurry

Thomas McMurry was elected Historian of the Pickens Group in 1924. He held this position until 1941, when due to ill health he could no longer function in this capacity. He collected local history and had in his possession records from Monroe Pickens of South Carolina as well as the John Pickens Bible.

He made short talks at the Reunions, urging an interest in ancestry and reporting on anything he had been able to find in the previous year.

He had a dream of the published record and it is regretted that he could not live to see the completed history.





ever, the 1400 loss places the Sultana fatalities as 250 above those of the Lusitania and only 117 short of the number lost on the Titanic.

The Sultana was a regular St. Louis and New Orleans packet. At Vicksburg, Miss., "1,965 federal soldiers and 35 officers just released from the rebel prisons at Cahaba, Ala., Macon and Andersonville, Ga., were taken on board. These soldiers belonged to the States of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Tennessee, Kentucky and West Virginia and were on their way to Camp Chase, near Columbus, Ohio, to be discharged from the army." Besides these there were some 200 passengers and members of the crew and two companies of infantry under arms, making a grand total of 2,300 souls on board.

About two o'clock in the morning of the 27th of April, when the boat was near Tagleman's Landing, about eight miles above Memphis, there was a terrible explosion. The cabin and hurricane deck was divided and many passengers hurled to their death. Others were killed outright or injured by escaping steam. The cabins burst into flame and in a short while the boat sank. The water was then filled with struggling men.

The natural width of the Mississippi had been increased by flood and there was small chance of escape. Many could not swim; others who might have saved themselves were lost by the frenzied excitement of their comrades. The dense darkness of the night, the icy waters, the weak condition of the soldiers, the wide expanse of water all contributed to the almost futile escape of the passengers. Many who survived received grave injuries and all carried with them the indelible memory of the anguish and torture of that night.

Many and varied were the stories of escape. Some swam long distances, others managed to reach bushes where they clung until rescued; many floated upon anything within reach, a candle box, barrel, bale of hay, trough, ladder or driftwood or pieces of wreckage from the boat.

No reason has been found for the omission of this tragedy in historical textbooks. At least it is not in books of general usage. It is listed in Marine disasters and in 1892 a book about the Sultana and containing reminiscences of the survivors was published by Rev. C. D. Berry, himself a survivor. The record is most valuable but its distribution was limited to the survivors, hence knowledge of this disaster is confined mostly to relatives of Sultana survivors and to others who through the years have had close contact with the event through the medium of the survivor's meetings. Material for this article has been taken from the Rev. C. D. Berry book and gleaned from personal stories of the survivors.

For many years, almost from the time of the disaster, the Sultana survivors of East Tennessee maintained a memorial organization which met annually upon the 27th of April, the date of the disaster. Patriotic addresses were made, personal experiences retold, and tribute paid to the memory of dead comrades. This observance ceased only with the death of the last member of the organization in 1931. Similar organizations existed in Ohio and perhaps elsewhere.

An editorial of a Knoxville newspaper about the time of the last Survivor's meeting commented thus: "A strange faithfulness, this seems, a life-

long cherishing of tragic escape, with battle and prison as background to the picture, and the passing of one survivor after another from the yearly group by way of marking the years. A distinction futilely clung to, it would seem, thus to be able to stamp a lifetime with such memories, yet picturesque, and by some indefinable essence, admirable."

At Mount Olive Cemetery, near Knoxville, Tennessee a monument was erected to the memory of 365 Tennessee soldiers who were aboard the Sultana. This monument was made possible through the efforts of Mr. J. H. Simpson, himself a survivor. On one side of the monument is engraved a replica of the Sultana made from a picture taken some hours before the explosion of the boat. On both sides of the monument the names of the Tennessee soldiers are engraved.

This monument was dedicated July 4, 1916. It was unveiled by two widows of Sultana survivors, Mrs. Samuel Pickens and Mrs. J. M. Phelps. Greetings were given by a member of the Ohio Sultana Survivors Association and other addresses were made. The monument is unique as the sole one of its kind in the south and perhaps elsewhere. It is a silent tribute to the sacrifice of those soldiers who by accident gave still more of service to their country. It is a visible means of record to those who often see it and to those who, hearing about it, make a special effort to see this monument to the Sultana veterans.

## EUSEBIA CHURCH

Eusebia Church came into being in the very early days of pioneer settlement. It was the religious center for a large radius of people. As the church home of our earliest ancestors it has been of great interest since its founding. Major Will A. McTeer has written of the early history of the Eusebia Church which was organized by Rev. Archibald Scott in 1786. It appears that the first services were held under the shade of a large Beech tree that stood near the spring. Traveling ministers conducted the services until 1792. Rev. Gideon Blackburn was the first minister who is known to have been in charge and he was pastor from 1794 to 1810.

There is no record as to when the first church was built. It is said to have been of logs. With an increased congregation an addition of a shed was made which was framed and weather-boarded. This shed was much in use in the days of camp meetings. About thirty feet from this shed there were cottages arranged in regular order, then called "camps", in which the families of the worshippers would live during the camp meetings. Families would provide bunks with straw or hay, so there would be plenty of sleeping room for the family and for strangers and invited guests. Plenty of provisions were brought; a week or more would be given to worship, both day and night.

A second house of worship was erected after some years which is said to have had frame weather-boarding. Some years later a frame church more commodious and of pleasing appearance was built. It stood until the year 1935 when it was replaced by the present modern brick edifice.



It is hard to estimate the good which has been done through the medium of this church. From the early days when a watchful eye had to be kept for Indians until the present time of ease of worship it has been a monument of piety to those who loved God and His House.

Dr. Samuel Tyndale Wilson, long time President of Maryville College made an address at the 1924 Homecoming at Eusebia Church. He said that "Eusebia" means reverence toward God, piety, religion. He spoke of the fight against King James and Roman Catholicism by Scotch-Irishmen and said that in no community of the United States is the Scotch-Irish origin of the citizenship more evident in names, traditions, religion, and even features than in the Eusebia neighborhood.

Throughout the years of its establishment Eusebia Church has served well the generations of those who have worshipped within its doors. Today it still stands as a monument to the efforts of those devotees of other days and to the loyalty and determination of the present supporters, many of whom are descendants of the pioneer founders.

## EUSEBIA CEMETERY

From some records of Major Will A. McTeer, former resident and prominent lawyer of Maryville, Tennessee, and a descendant of a pioneer of Eusebia Church, I found some information concerning the beginning of the Eusebia Cemetery.

It seems that an unidentified woman of the earliest settlers was among the first to be buried in the Cemetery. The first definite date of the establishment of the cemetery was gained from the date on the stone of Joseph Bogle who died in 1790. An inscription also shows that Andrew Bogle was the first owner of the lands. Various members of the Bogle family have lived at or near the church site. Land for both the church and cemetery was given by a Bogle. It may be that persons whose identity are now unknown were buried in the Eusebia cemetery shortly after the founding of the church in 1786.

From the earliest decade to the present day Eusebia Cemetery has been a hallowed place to the people of a large area. In 1930 an Association was formed and the cemetery was rearranged, beautified and arrangements made for perpetual upkeep so that it became known as one of the best country cemeteries in the region.

In 1937 through the instrumentality of Judge S. O. Houston of Knoxville, the graves of Eusebia Cemetery were numbered by means of the W.P.A. The count showed a total of 893 marked with field stones, 302 unmarked graves and grave stones with 500 inscriptions.

In one corner of this cemetery lie 26 known Pickens dead. This number with some unmarked graves and scores of others, related by ties of kinship and intermarriage, make the Eusebia cemetery along with the Eusebia Church, a place of great pull for a host of people. Descendants of the Eusebia section, though far removed from the vicinity, revere the combined places of church and cemetery with a tender solemnity not easily expressed but poignantly felt.

## PRE-AMERICAN PICKENS PEOPLE

An Andrew Pickens was a tailor in Edinburgh in 1621 and Archibald Picken was heir of Andrew Picken, merchant of Burgess of Edinburgh 1624. Also John Pikkan was a merchant in Kirktown in 1682 (Corsehill) and Thomas Picken, a rebel in Keblain paroch Kentyre 1685. (Commons pl.) (Surnames of Scotland—Black).

In Scotland, Andrew Picken, a Scottish writer of fiction was born at Parsley in 1788 and died in 1883. One of his best known and most popular books was "The Dominies Legacy." Joanna Belfrage Picken, daughter of Ebenezer Picken was born at Edinburgh, Scotland, May 1798. She was called the "Poet of Parsley." Andrew Belfrage Picken, son of Ebenezer Picken, was born November, 1808. He was a poet of note. (Kate Pickens Day History.)

Among the earlier records of the name of Pickens in England were those of Roger Pickyn of County Norfolk in 1386, Anthony Pickens of Worcestershire about 1574 and Anthony Pigin or Pickin of London, who married Sarah Ireland in 1614. (Media Research). Roger Pickyn was a rector in 1386 of Billingsford, England and Anthony Picken, in Oxford University as early as 1575. (Kate Pickens Day History).

There is also a record in the Abridged Compendium of American Genealogy of Andre (Pickon) Pickens, a Huguenot, who escaped from France, thence to Scotland, then went to Ireland, from whence his sons, Andrew and Robert Pike Pickens, came to Paxton, Pa.

## GENERAL INFORMATION OF PICKENS PEOPLE

References to various older Pickens people are found in the records of Augusta and other Virginia County histories. In 1768 Abraham Pickens had a wife whose maiden name was Ann Oliver; land was granted to a James Pickens on a Marsh and Creek of Ashley River; a Robert Pickens lived in Augusta County about 1745. In the taxes of 1782 there was a John Pickens in Cumberland County, Virginia with a wife and five children under sixteen years of age. A Sam Pickens with two in the family in Frederick County, Thomas Pickings in Montgomery County and John Pickens in Rockbridge county.

THOMAS PICKENS was a witness to a deed November 10, 1757, a juror in Augusta County in 1767 and on page 911 of the Annals of Southwest Virginia there is a record of a land sale on Sept. 2, 1799 from THOMAS PICKENS, and wife, SARAH PICKENS to Wm. Preston. There were 900 acres, the cost 560 pounds and the location at Thorn Spring on New River. In Montgomery County, Virginia there is a record of a THOMAS PICKENS who lived there in 1799 and as late as 1794; his wife was SARAH PICKENS; THOMAS PICKENS and wife SARAH PICKENS sold 320 acres of land on White Glade, Montgomery County, Virginia.

On page 764 of the same Annals, Thomas Pickens presented to the Mont-



gomery County Court a bill for two blankets for the use of the Militia of that country, which were never returned.

On page 784, March 23, 1785, Thomas Pickens was on the jury of this county as well as being appointed overseer of a road "from Little W. Creek Mountain to the crossing at John Scott's land."

In Marriage Licenses by Clemens of North and South Carolina I found that in Orangeburg, South Carolina, Martha Pickings married Jonathan Brimstone in 1748; Ann Pickings married Joseph Markis July 19, 1750; N. P. Pickings married George Flutt in 1748 and Samuel Pickings married N. Patton in 1748.

ALEXANDER PICKENS lived in Highland County, South Carolina. His wife's name was Sarah. His home was at the foot of a mountain, one mile south of McD., and his spring is still called by his name. At this place an Alexander (married Margaret Wiley 1809); Rachel (married John Given, 1811) and Mary (married William Callahan 1812 and then married John Given). (History of Highland County, Va.)

It appears that one or more Pickens men left the early settlement of Pickens people in Virginia or the Carolinas and went west. One of them is said to have been a Tory. At any rate there are quite a few Indian descendants of the Pickens family.

Rev. Sharp writes about some part Indian Pickens of Leake Co., Miss., of about 1840. When that land was purchased from the Choctaw Indians in 1830 and they were given pick and choice of some of the finest land of the county, they took up four or five sections of rich land, and later about 1845, sold it out for a handsome price and moved to Oklahoma with the rest of the Indians. He says that to all intents and purposes they are whites and the fact is that some of the finest people of Oklahoma are of such Indian Stock. He speaks also of an Edmund Pickens, oldest son of a John Pickens and his Chickasaw wife of Pontotoc County, Mississippi who moved to Oklahoma, became a Chief and was once a Senator or representative from the Indian Territory.

According to Mr. B. C. Clarke, in the Kate Pickens Day History, the 1908 census report shows there were in Oklahoma 32 members of the Chickasaw and 20 members of the Choctaw tribes of Indians by the name of Pickens. The given names repeat some of those used in our Pickens genealogy here, as: Aaron, George, William, Jane and Margaret.

From Mr. John Bruce Neeld, Columbia, Tennessee I have some information of a WILLIAM PICKENS, his ancestor, who was a Revolutionary soldier. From the Pension Bureau, in war pension claim 53699, it appears that WILLIAM PICKENS was born in 1749 in Augusta County, Virginia, and when about 15 years of age moved with his father (name not given) to Abbeville District, S. C.

While a resident of said Abbeville District he enlisted August 1, 1776, served four months as a private in Captain Thomas Langdon's Company,

Col. Drayton's South Carolina Regiment and was at the battle of Ninety Six and Reedy River.

He enlisted July 1, 1777 and served as Indian Spy for four months in CAPTAIN JOHN PICKENS' South Carolina Company and was in a battle on the Savannah River.

He enlisted in February 1779, served one month as a private in Capt. Robert Anderson's Company, Col. Andrew Pickens' South Regiment and was in the battle of Kettle Creek.

He enlisted in the Spring or Summer of 1781 as a private in Captain Robert Anderson's Company, was transferred to Captain Robert Caruther's Company of Rangers, was at the Siege of Ninety Six; length of service five months.

About 1807 he moved from Abbeville District to Maury County, Tennessee, where he was allowed a pension on his application executed September 16, 1833. There is no date on file as to his family except the reference to his father.

This WILLIAM PICKENS had a son WILLIAM G. PICKENS, born February 20, 1794 in Abbeville District, S. C., and died in Mountain Home, Alabama, February 9, 1871. He moved with his parents to Maury County, Tennessee in 1806. He married Charlotte Bruce in 1816. Their children were: Thomas Jefferson, John, William, Charlotte Elizabeth, James Madison, Josephine Sarah Frances and Anderson Oliver Perry Pickens.

Of the above children, THOMAS JEFFERSON PICKENS born 1820, died 1903 and married Elizabeth Nelson, born 1820, died 1860. Their children are Naomi, Dell, Emma and Bruce Pickens.

NAOMI PICKENS born July 30, 1850, died September 16, 1922. She married Ernest Yoest. She had a daughter Nellie Yoest, born April 26, 1878, died August 19, 1945 and married James Harvey Neeld, April 26, 1899, who was born December 22, 1878. Their child John Bruce Neeld, Jr. was born December 25, 1910 and married Brownie Walters December 23, 1937. Their child, John Bruce Neeld, Jr., was born 1940. It was this John Bruce Neeld, Sr., who sent the older history and his lineage down to the present.

ANDERSON OLIVER PERRY PICKENS, youngest child of William G. Pickens, had children listed as, Monte, Ole, (Osceola), Gertrude, Desdemona and Tulitha Pickens. Of these MONTE PICKENS had a son MONTE PICKENS, JR., whose home was in Atlanta, Georgia. He was the father of JANE, HELEN, and PATTI PICKENS, the famous PICKENS sisters who sang over the radio some years ago, (around 1930 to 1936).

In the issue of Collier's for September 17, 1949 there is an interesting article about JANE PICKENS of the Pickens trio and something about her family and I quote. "Pickens family gatherings have had a musical overtone for three generations. The tradition started with grandfather MONTE PICKENS, who was a music professor at Bessie Tift College, a Baptist Institution for girls, 70 miles from Atlanta. It continued with father MONTE



PICKENS, who was an Atlanta cotton broker and a fine pianist, and Mother Pickens who was christened Adelina Patti after the most famous opera singer of the day."

The article was primarily about the rise of JANE PICKENS in her desire to attain a leading place as a singer, and tells of her forthcoming part as Regina in "The Little Foxes" and of other musical successes. Mention is made of her sisters who were to be present for the opening of The Little Foxes play. Of the sisters; "Patti, the youngest is now Mrs. Robert Simmons; she will bring her husband and three children from their farm in Bucks County, Pa. Helen, who used to play the drums, will fly from Hollywood, where she works in an advertising agency. She is happily married to Thomas Acheson, a distant kinsman of the Secretary of State. Grace will bring her husband, John Cahill, a lawyer who is now on the board of directors of the Radio Corporation of America. Finally there will be Marcella, now in her teens and a talented art student in the Ringling Brothers Art School at Sarasota, Florida."

In Blount County there was a Timothy Pickens who worked roads in the southeast end of the county in 1815 and a Rebecca Pickens who married R. Hicks, August, 1842. (Parham record.)

In Knox County there were a few Pickens people in the early days but none were listed there in the 1850 census of that county.

Charles Pickens, druggist at Knoxville, Tennessee, has given some history of his family. According to tradition they are descended from an old Israel Pickens, who had a son, David Pickens, who settled in Sullivan County, Tennessee between 1815 and 1818. His descendents were David Jr., Jacob, George Washington, Samuel, John and William Pickens and two daughters, Peggy Pickens Fulkerson and Hannah Pickens Shanks.

David had a son, Abe Pickens who settled in Washington County at the forks of the Holston and Watauga Rivers and descendents still live there. The bridge across the river is known as the Pickens Bridge.

Jacob Pickens went to Colorado and settled. He had one son and two daughters.

George Washington Pickens took 29 acres from the old home place and lived there until his death.

Samuel Pickens went to Kentucky and settled there. They don't know what became of John Pickens.

William Pickens lived at the home place of his father. He has sons, William and Jay Pickens who are still at the old home.

George Washington Pickens of the above list was born August 6, 1824. He married Mary Elizabeth Ferguson from Virginia in 1866. Their children were: Richard (1867), David (1868), Amelia (1869, d-infancy), William M. (1870), Thomas J., Jennie, James B., Abraham G., Johnnie (d-infancy), Lillie and George Harrison Pickens. George W. Pickens, taught school in the early days as a tutor in the homes of the wealthy.

William M. Pickens of the above list died in 1947. He married Orlie Moody who survives him. On December 30, 1946 this couple celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home in Knoxville. Their daughter Miss Mae Pickens died about two years ago. Their sons are George Dewey and Charles Pickens at Knoxville, and Ralph Pickens, who was in New York at the time of his father's death. Charles served in World War II and has been a druggist for several years. He operates his own drug store, is single, and lives at home.

## SOME PICKENS PEOPLE OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE

Short sketches of the following persons are of interest on account of the ties of kinship and because of their connection with governmental affairs. It would seem that Gen. Andrew Pickens, his son, Governor Andrew Pickens, and his grandson, Ambassador Francis Pickens had some sort of a line of "lineal descent" in the important positions which they held, with each in his own right rendering creditable service.

### GENERAL ANDREW PICKENS

General Andrew Pickens was born at Paxton, Pa. September 13, 1739, died at the "Red House", at Tamasee, Oconee County, South Carolina, Aug. 11, 1817, and is buried at the old Stone Church near Pendleton, S. C. He was the son of Andrew and Nancy Ann Davis Pickens, who, born in Ireland came to Pennsylvania, then Virginia and to the Waxhaws in South Carolina before General Pickens had reached manhood. Sometime after 1761 General Pickens left the Long Cane Settlement in Abbeville, subsequently living at Hopewell and later at the beautiful and valuable farm at Tamasee, where he died.

General Pickens married Rebecca Calhoun March 19, 1765, who died in 1814. She was the daughter of Ezekiel Calhoun, brother of Patrick Calhoun, and was also a sister of John Ewing Calhoun, member of Congress. Tradition says of the wedding of General Pickens and his bride that it was "the largest wedding party ever then assembled in upper Carolina and the festivities lasted for three days without intermission. The beauty of the bride was the theme of all tongues, and the wedding was long talked of as the important event of the neighborhood in that decade." Mrs. Pickens was very patriotic and of great aid to her husband.

General Pickens is said to have been of "medium height, lean and hearty, with strongly marked features." It is said that he was guarded in his speech, weighing carefully his words before uttering them. I saw a newspaper picture of him in the library at Columbia, South Carolina. He looked smart and rather austere and with a military bearing. Character and strength could be seen in his face. At the South Carolina State School Library at Columbia, I encountered a fine Scotty dog, which I was told bore the name of "General Pickens." A fitting name I think for "man's best friend." I also traveled on Pickens Street in that city.



As a Military man, General Pickens appears to have been somewhat of a genius and in great demand in the active years of his life. It is said that "he was a foremost representative of the early settlers. His high character and patriotic achievements are incorporated with the history of his country." In expeditions against the Indians as well as an agent in peaceful settlements with them he was skillful and quite successful. In treaty attempts he represented not only the States nearest him but served as a United States representative as well. In 1797 and for six years he was engaged in marking boundary treaties. At the beginning of the war with Great Britain he was appointed captain of militia and rose to Major, Colonel and Brigadier General. He was in many important engagements including the battle of King's Mountain.

Much honor has been shown to General Andrew Pickens. The South Carolina Legislature voted him thanks and a gold medal in 1783 for his services in the Revolution. He was presented a sword by the United States Government for his action at the Battle of Cowpens, together with a letter written by Major General Knox, Secretary of War. A new District was formed in South Carolina bearing his name and when this Pickens District was divided his name was and still is perpetuated in Pickens County, South Carolina, with Pickens as the County Seat of said county.

In peaceful pursuits he was still much sought after. He was a Justice of the Peace, Judge of Pendleton District, South Carolina, and held the first court at that place. He served in the State Convention, the Legislature and in Congress. He was urged to become Governor of South Carolina in his older years but preferred to leave that office to a younger person.

General Pickens was an ardent farmer and his plantation must have been very representative of the abundant life and hospitable southern hospitality. He is said also to have had a store at Oconee and a business in Charleston under the firm name of Andrew Pickens and Co.

In all his endeavors he seems to have kept the "even tenor of his way." He was a very religious man. He was one of the founders of the old Stone Church and an elder there. Later when he moved to Tamassee he was one of the founders of Bethel Presbyterian church in that community. It is said that "he carried the spirit of piety with him, both in his private life and in his public service." He was reputed to be strict in family devotions and church observance. A man who can remain an active Christian gentleman in the service of his home, community and nation, especially in a life-long service involving so much of obligation and honor deserves our sincerest acclaim.

### GOVERNOR ANDREW PICKENS

Governor Andrew Pickens was born in South Carolina, November 13, 1779 and died June 24, 1838. He is buried in the old Stone Church burial place near Pendleton, South Carolina. He was the son of Gen. Andrew Pickens.

He married (1) Susannah Smith Wilkinson in April, 1804 and after her death he married (2) Mary Nelson of Virginia.

During the war of 1812, Governor Pickens served as a colonel in the United States army. He was elected governor of the State of South Carolina in December, 1816 and served for one term of two years. He appears to have been a man of integrity and a well liked and respected citizen of his community and State.

In his will dated September 9, 1834, page 85 Vol. 1, Edgefield Wills in the South Carolina State school library at Columbia, South Carolina, the estate of Governor Pickens was called "Oatlands." Among the items willed to his son, Francis W. Pickens were: "the portrait of my father, General Andrew Pickens, his sword, my gold watch with the name on the dial plate; my sleeve buttons, my small wardrobe, books, maps and papers."

### AMBASSADOR FRANCIS W. PICKENS

Francis Wilkinson Pickens was born April 7, 1805, in St. Paul's Parish, Colleton District, South Carolina. He died January 25, 1869 at Edgefield, South Carolina. He was the son of Governor Andrew Pickens and grand-son of General Andrew Pickens. He married (1) Eliza Simkins; after her death in 1842 he married (2) Antoinette Dearing of Georgia. After her death he married (3) Lucy Petway Holcombe, daughter of Beverly L. Holcombe.

Lucy Holcombe Pickens is said to have been a beautiful and accomplished person who greatly influenced her husband. At the time of the Civil War, a Regiment of rebel South Carolina troops was named the "Holcombe Legion" in her honor; her picture was also engraved on Confederate currency. She died August 8, 1899 and is buried near Edgefield.

Francis W. Pickens studied at South Carolina State College. He is said to have heired a great deal of wealth and at his home at "Edgewood" to have entertained lavishly. Said to have had a great many slaves, but due to war reverses and other causes he is said to have been in debt at the time of his death.

He was elected to the State Legislature in 1832 and served as a member of Congress from 1834 until 1844. He was offered the mission to England by President Polk, and the mission to France by President Tyler. He declined these offers but persuaded by his wife, accepted the mission of ambassador to Russia, from President Buchanan, in 1857. He returned to America in 1860 and became Governor of South Carolina. He died about nine years later.

The Pickens family were well received in Russia. It is said that Lucy Holcombe Pickens made a splendid appearance in official circles.

The Royal family invited her and the Ambassador to be guests at the Imperial Palace for the birth of their child. The child, a girl, was christened Frances Eugenia Olga Neva and the Czar of the Russians called her "Douschka," which in Russian means "darling."

<sup>1</sup>Douschka Pickens kept up the family tradition in important connections in South Carolina. She was remembered by the Tsar Alexander II and by succeeding Tsars of Russia upon her birthdays in America as long as she lived.



As the daughter of the Governor of South Carolina she enjoyed the privileges of an honored child to such an extent that the South Carolina State Legislature by special order named her "the child of South Carolina." She is credited with the beginning of the Civil War, when in the arms of General Beauregard she placed a lighted match to the fuse of a cannon. "Thus the child, at the tender age of three, born in the Russian Palace, the pet of nobility of all the nations and the daughter of the war governor, fired the first shot of the Civil War."

In the days of reconstruction, Douschka Pickens managed the plantation, after her father's death and became such a leader among the people that she became the "Joan of Arc" of South Carolina. <sup>1</sup>(Information from Kate Pickens Day History.)

An interesting story, too, is that concerning a faithful slave to the family. His name was Tom and he went to Russia where he was a "dignified head man at the door on State occasions and was a courier for his master to Germany and every duty was discharged with promptness, correctness and fidelity to his master."

### ISRAEL PICKENS

Israel Pickens was born January 30, 1780, near Concord, North Carolina. He died April 23, 1827 in Cuba. Later his remains were brought back and buried in the family cemetery at Greensboro. He was the son of Samuel and Jane Carrigan Pickens. This Samuel was a first cousin of General Andrew Pickens and a son of Israel Pickens.

The Israel Pickens of this sketch practiced law at Morganton, S. C., represented Burke County in the State Legislature 1808 to 1810. In 1811 he was elected to Congress and served as Congressman until 1817. In this year he moved to the territory of Alabama, practiced law at St. Stephen, was Register of the Land Office and represented Washington County in the convention which framed the constitution for the would-be-State of Alabama.

In 1821 he was elected the third governor of Alabama and was re-elected two years later. In the spring of 1826 he was appointed to a seat in the Federal Senate, made vacant by the death of Dr. Chambers. In November of this year he was forced to resign from this position because of ill health. In all of his positions of trust he appears to have been a man of integrity and ability, gentle but firm in the discharge of his duties.

(Material for the foregoing articles was gained from personal research at the State library at Nashville, Tennessee; from articles in the City Library at Columbia, South Carolina and wills at the Library of the South Carolina University as well as from The History of Pendleton District, by R. W. Simpson and other articles.)

## EAST TENNESSEE LAND GRANTS

Land grants were given to Pickens people in various East Tennessee Counties. From Blountville, Tennessee, the oldest record we have of a Pickens deed is a land grant from the State of North Carolina to JAMES PICKENS for 100 acres on Kindricks Creek in Sullivan County, Tennessee. This is Land Grant No. 649 and is dated December 5, 1794.

From the Department of State, Raleigh, North Carolina, May 18, 1951, we have this record: "JOHN PICKENS received the following grants in Washington County, Tennessee: No. 128, 250 acres, October 23, 1782, on Big Limestone Creek; No. 394, 200 acres, October 13, 1783, on the waters of Lick Creek; No. 469, 100 acres, October 13, 1783, on the waters of Lick Creek.

JAMES PICKENS received the following grants in Washington County, Tenn: No. 413, 42 acres, October 13, 1783, adjoining Chedd Morris' upper survey; No. 425, 275 acres, October 13, 1783, on waters of Lick Creek; No. 439, 100 acres, October 13, 1783, on waters of Lick Creek. In Greene County, Tennessee, he received the following: No. 1363, 200 acres, December 2, 1795, on waters of Lick Creek; No. 1370, 200 acres, December 9, 1795, on the waters of Lick Creek. (The JOHN PICKENS of these grants has not been absolutely determined. From these grants it would seem that John and James Pickens are brothers. They are probably ancestors or close relatives of the Pickens people, some of whom are still in Sullivan County.)

From the State Department of Land Grants at Nashville, Tennessee comes a record of these Sevier County land grants.

Pickens, Samuel	30733	-----	May 8, 1866	31	426
Pickens, Samuel	23967	400	Sept. 24, 1841	25	20
Pickens, Samuel	28135	-----	Aug. 19, 1851	29	62
Pickens, T. R. & Thos.	25350	5000	Sept. 2, 1845	26	680
Pickings, Samuel	20765	200	May 19, 1837	20	645
Pickens, Samuel	-----	-----	Nov. 16, 1850	29	1025
Pickens, Samuel	22963	300	Oct. 23, 1839	22	484
Pickens, Samuel	22961	170	Oct. 23, 1839	22	486

From the same department comes a record of Blount County land grants to Pickens people. ROBERT PICKENS received a Grant in 1836 and THOMAS PICKENS in 1855.

JOHN PICKENS, who is our pioneer, received a land grant from the State of Tennessee and a record of this grant follows. If he received any grants previous to this date in Blount County, no record has been found of them. It appears that the first land he owned in Blount County was that of the private purchase from Samuel Lindsey January 8, 1796.



## THE STATE OF TENNESSEE — GRANT NO. 1212

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME—GREETING:

KNOW YE, That in pursuance of an Act of the General Assembly, passed on the 23rd day of November, 1809 -- THERE IS GRANTED BY THE SAID STATE OF TENNESSEE, unto John Pickanes, a certain tract or parcel of land containing Two hundred and eighty seven acres within the tract located for the use of academies lying in the county of Blount in the District South of French Broad and Holston on the head of Nails Creek, there being due and chargeable on said land the sum of \$287.00 with the interest due thereon: Beginning at a stake on the south side of the creek eight chains from the creek on William McClung's line, and running with the same North fifty four west fifty four chain and three tenths to a postoak at the foot of Beys Mountain; then with the mountain North twenty six east fifty seven chain and seven tenths to a pine; North fifty eight East twenty one chain to a stake; South thirty East four chain to a stake at the head of a small spring; East twenty six chain to a black jack; North thirty four East twenty four chain to a stake; North seventy three East twenty nine chain to a stake; South ten East eleven chain and four tenths to a stake and pointers forty six link from Susy Davice corner; then with said Davice South forty eight East thirty one chain and nine tenths to Nails Creek forty eight chain and nine tenths to said Davice corner at the head of a spring, in all sixty six chain to a stake Vacant Land South one and one half West thirteen chain and three tenths to a stake at Samuel McMurry's line; then with his line south sixty two west fifty eight chain and five tenths to a stake; South twenty two West eighteen chain to a stake at Vacant Land South seventy West twenty nine chain to a stake; South eighty five West thirty three chain to the beginning. Surveyed July 24, 1807.

WITH ITS APPURTENANCES, to Have and to Hold the said tract or parcel of land, with its appurtenances, to the said John Picjanes, his heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Willie Blount, Governor of the State of Tennessee, hath hereunto set his hand and caused the Great seal of the State to be affixed at Knoxville on the twenty second day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and ten, and of American independence the thirty-fourth.

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Willie Blount

W. G. Blount, Secretary

## HANNAH HISTORY

## GENERAL REFERENCES

A meager research into Hannah History has been made but no definite connection has been found between our Letitia Hannah Pickens and those of the States of Virginia, the Carolinas or Blount County. However the Hannahs were very plentiful in the original colonies of the States mentioned and some general information of them will be given.

In Botetourt Co., Virginia October 8, 1799 Alexander Hannah was one of the two persons given as security for the behavior of a couple. In a list of Virginia Tax Payers 1782-87 Alexander Hannah lived in Botetourt Co., and there were five in the family. October 8, 1799 in the same county Alexander Hannah was security on a bond. Alexander Hannah had property at Buffalo, Rockbridge County in 1784, and in 1782 paid tax on 6 horses and 9 cows.

Also in a list of the same Virginia Tax Payers there was a George Hannah and Aaron Hannah in Botetourt County; Robert Hannah in Augusta County; James Hannah with three in the family, a John with four, and a John Hannah with seven members of a family in Berkely County; an Alexander Hannah in both Lincoln and Rockingham Counties and Charles Hannah in Henry County Virginia.

In Chalkley's History of Virginia there is an account of a suit involving some heirs of Thomas Hannah. From it various facts of Hannah history are obtained. Joseph Hannah bought 300 acres of land from Henry Downs, Oct. 5, 1758. This land was on South River; there was a cave which was called Hannah's Cave and the "Hannah's got Ocher out of the cave and there was a school house near the entrance to the cave."

In this suit an Alexander Hannah made deposition in Augusta 1814, "that he is 70 years of age; he was 14 years old when his parents moved to the plantation where heirs of Thomas Hannah now live; Alexander was the son of Joseph Hannah."

Joseph Hannah made a will July 27, 1789 in Rockingham County, Virginia. In it children were mentioned as: Thomas, Alexander, Joseph, David, Rosana, Mary Boon, and Jane Olden. The name of his wife was Anna.

In the Musters of Augusta County, Virginia 1742, Joseph Hannah was listed. There is a record of the marriage of Joseph Hannah and Marv Davis of Rowan County, North Carolina January 5, 1789, and of Polly Hannah and James Riggs of Orange County, North Carolina January 22, 1788.

James Hannah owned 81 acres on Greenbrier, Botetourt County, February 3, 1774.

## BLOUNT COUNTY HANNAH HISTORY

Through the courtesy of Mr. Edward Lyle who is collecting Hannah information, I have some notations of Hannah history of Blount County.

He had found from the Parham records, information from an old book which was on exhibit at the 1934 Fair of Blount County. This book had been



printed for use of the Church of England. The owner of the book appeared to have been a John Hannah, miller, Rockbridge County, Virginia, July 12, 1704 "as his name is in the book often." Other facts are: "John Hanna, his book, Rockbridge County, State of Virginia, March 20, 1790; Anna Hanna b—April 23, 1774; John Sr. John Hanna. In the front is Robert Campbell, his book-hand November 1701; John Hanna, James Wilson. Later, Alexander Hannah.

On the first fly leaf is "Mary Hanna would be pleased to beg the favor of the owner to keep at home, as the doctrine is not liked by many people in the neighborhood — by order of the commonwealth of Virginia, July 12, 1704."

Joshua Hannah had the first survey made for a part of the land which is now the H. F. Anderson farm, and our home. The plot shows that it was on Little River in Blount County and is bounded by Thomas Caldwell, John Wheeler and James Hannah. The survey was for 170 and three-fourth acres and the date was March 1, 1808. The land grant was dated June 14, 1807.

Margaret Miriam Hannah married William Anderson, pioneer of Blount County, and she was living February 20, 1854 when a settlement was made among the heirs of William Anderson, deceased.

Franklin Hannah owned land on Pistol Creek in the eighth district of Blount County in 1854 and several families of Hannahs have lived in the region of Forest Hill where the William and Margaret Miriam Hannah Anderson also lived.

John Hannah of Blount County, made a will January 20, 1813. His second wife was Jane Trimble whom he married February 15, 1796 in Blount County. He had a son, John Jr., who married Martha Miller in 1796. John Hannah Sr., was a signer of the petition to North Carolina asking for independence of this region. He was also a charter member and elder in the New Providence Presbyterian Church and is the ancestor of Mr. Lyle.

### JOHN HANNAH REFERENCES

Various references are given in Chalkley's record of Augusta County, Virginia in regard to John Hannah. By inference this John is either the father or a very close relative to Letitia Hannah Pickens and as such is pertinent to our record.

In a letter written to Col. Stuart September 17, 1786 John Pickens spoke of John Hannah as his father-in-law. Since the letter was written from Holston, Virginia, the home at that time of John Pickens and his wife, the inference is that the older Hannah family probably also lived in Virginia, and especially is this thought to be true since the census record of 1880 showed by the record of a son, Robert Pickens, that his mother was born in Virginia.

In the will of John Matthews November 27, 1761, his wife was given two gold rings made by John Hanna. Elizabeth Hannah was teste to a will of James Buchanan October 3, 1870. John Hannah was appraiser March 20, 1754 and to aid in the division of tracts of land in the will of Joseph Long September 11, 1757; also on a jury 1771. A John Hannah was a tithable November 22, 1775 and a John Hannah married Sally Webster in Amelia

County, Virginia, January, 1797. John Hanna teste to a deed of land sold by Richard Stanton and Charity to William Herbert on a Branch of Woods River, March 28, 1767. Alexander Hannah, John Hannah Sr., and John Hannah Jr., were tithables of 1788 in Rockbridge County, Virginia and John Hannah had a mill license on Collier, 1784.

Several property transactions are noted in regard to John Hanna or Hannah. A John Hannah had a mill on Colliers Creek August 18, 1768. John Hannah was "proccessioned" by Collier and McCampbell 1765. John Hannah patented 95 acres August 3, 1771 at a place called Flat Gap. John Hannah and wife Elizabeth sold land in Washington County, Pennsylvania April 17, 1789.

From the Annals of Southwest Virginia by Summers, there are records of land sales in Botetourt County, Virginia, January 29, 1770 John Hannah of the forks of the James River to John Paxton in the Rich Hills fork of the James River. Witnesses were John Hannah Jr., Alexander Hannah, William McKee and John Boyer. On January 13, 1773 John Hannah and Margaret his wife sold to Moses Kelso 70 Hd. of Dry Run in the forks of the James River. On January 14, 1773, John Hannah Sr., and Margaret, his wife, sold to John Hannah Jr., 100 acres on the forks of the James River in Botetourt County. John Hannah bought 230 acres at Buffalo in 1756 and 45 acres in 1763 adjoining homesteads in the forks of the James River. John Hannah was on the jury of this county in 1770 and 1771.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Lyle, I have obtained photostatic copies made from records at Raleigh, N. C., of receipts to a John Hannah. On July 14, 1771 John Hannah was allowed nine pounds species for service in the Militia. The receipt was from Salisbury District, State of North Carolina, Wake County. Another receipt is to a John Hannah, State of North Carolina, given by the auditors of Washington and Sullivan counties and is for sixteen shillings and sixpence specie, apparently for service rendered in some sort of work. The date was August 16, 1782.

## THE PICKENS REUNION

On August 21, 1921, members of families descended from Alexander and Robert Pickens met at Wildwood Springs, Blount County, Tennessee. The day was spent in reunion and in the enjoyment of a picnic lunch. From this beginning the annual Pickens reunion resulted, which has continued through thirty years to the present time. A great many have been regular attendants. I have missed only one reunion and on that day I was entertaining a three-day-old daughter. Mrs. Homer Goddard (Belle Pickens) also has missed only one reunion occasion.

It might be of interest to quote the minutes of the first meeting, which included a list of the guests. Officers chosen were: President, Ollie Pickens; Vice President, Frank Pickens; Secretary, Nellie C. Pickens. The Program Committee was composed of Belle Pickens, Roy Pickens and Mrs. Roy H. Beeler. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Hinds, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Beeler and Frances, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kennedy and children, Robert, Elizabeth





The first Pickens Reunion at Wildwood Springs, August, 1921.







and Juanita; Mrs. E. A. Pickens, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jeffries and daughter Mary; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pickens and F. C. Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Thurman and children, Roy, James and Fred; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pickens and children, William and Helen; Floyd Pickens, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Thurman and daughter, Miss Anna; Carl Rudder, H. F. Anderson; Mr. Ingle, Miss Nettie McCammon and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Houston.

At this reunion some kodak pictures were made which have later been enlarged and show the group pretty well.

In the years which have followed, descendants from other Pickens lines joined the group, especially when it met at Eusebia church, where the reunion was held for a number of years. Other meetings were held at the homes of members of the group. For some years we have been meeting at the Goddard cabin in Miller's Cove, near Maryville.

Several benefits have resulted from these reunions. The chance of association with each other not only is most enjoyable but gives the newcomers and younger members of the group a chance to know and keep in touch with their relatives.

Records kept by the Secretary and Vital Statistics Committee have kept tab on births, deaths, marriages, etc., and furnish an easy way of reference to past programs, etc.

Then there is the historical aspect of no little importance. Thomas McMurry became interested in Pickens lineage and served as historian from 1924 until some ten or more years ago. He told of any findings of a previous year and read some information sent by Monroe Pickens concerning John and Eleanor Pickens and other Pickens people. When he was no longer able to attend I fell heir to the historian's task, and as I already had a mass of Pickens history of my own it all formed a basis upon which to add more history.

All of this grew into a desire on the part of the reunion attendants to have the Pickens history published. A collection has been taken for some years which aids in entertainment but mostly has been used in the expense of correspondence, searches in the Census Department, employment of a Genealogist, purchase of necessary genealogical material, etc. Some of it is being used in the work of photostats, the preparation of pictures for printing, etc., so that all who purchase a history will benefit from this material effort of the attendants at the Pickens Reunions.

Adding to the interest and pleasure of the Reunions has been the attendance upon various occasions of Pickens kin of other sections of the State and of other states; among these have been: F. T. Pickens, Hugh Pickens and Clemma Pickens from Weaverville, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Day and daughters of Easley, S. C.; Rev C. N. Pickens of Waynesville, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Pickens and daughter of Greenville, S. C.; R. M. and C. A. Pickens of Athens, Tennessee; Miss Lily Henderson (Mrs. Williams) of Chattanooga, Tennessee; Ralph McKinley Pickens from South Carolina; and Mrs. E. R. Zemp of Knoxville. Mrs. Bonham of Knoxville, an elderly descendent in the Minnis line attended on occasion and others of the various lines were infrequent attendants.

Present officers of the organization are: President, John A. Kerr; Vice-President, Fred Thurman; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. A. R. Carter and Historian, Mrs. H. F. Anderson. A committee composed of Mrs. Homer Goddard, Mr. Paul Costner and Mr. Roy S. Pickens will be responsible for some of the decisions in printing the Pickens History and aid in the disposition of the books when printed.

## EARLY AMERICAN PICKENS IMMIGRANTS

Many Pickens people came to America from the days of 1717, and perhaps earlier, and including the period just previous to the Revolutionary War. The 1790 census reveals that there were thirty-one heads of families, one hundred and sixty other members of families, making one hundred and ninety-six members of Pickens families, besides the female members who had married and changed their names. The list according to States is:

State	No. of families	No. in family
South Carolina	11	79
North Carolina	4	25
New York	3	22
Pennsylvania	10	53
Maryland	2	7
Virginia	1	10

(Monroe Pickens Record)

The following information has been gleaned by personal research and from various other sources, among them records from Rev. E. M. Sharp, Missouri, and from the Monroe Pickens (deceased) history, published by Kate Pickens Day.

The early ones of whom we have record are:

THOMAS PICKENS  
ISRAEL PICKENS  
WILLIAM PICKENS

THOMAS PICKENS is said to have come from Ireland to America about 1719 and to have settled first at Plymouth, Mass., from whence he later moved to Middleborough, in the same colony. He is thought to have married Margaret Steel and that their children were: Jane, Andrew and James who were born in Ireland and Martha, John, Margaret and Thomas who were born in Massachusetts. Of these children JAMES PICKENS married Margaret Strawbridge or Strowbridge in 1753, and their children were: James, Alexander, Martha, Samuel, William, Margaret, David, John, George, Mary and Rebecca. Descendents of this family appear to have been numerous and to have lived in New Hampshire and New York in plentiful numbers. (Record from Media Research.)

ISRAEL PICKENS appears also to have come to America about the year 1717. A correspondent in Pennsylvania giving the names of the Pickens



pioneers, says that the names of "William Peckens eyn hausfrau" and "Israel Pecken eyn Hausfrau" appear on a list of "New Comers from Eerlandt", received by certificate at the Presbyterian church of Bensalem and Neshaminy in 1720. This church was located in Buck's County, Pennsylvania.

Quoting Bolton's Scotch Irish Pioneers we find: in 1722 the Neshamy (Neshaminy) (Church) records (Penne) give the names of people from Eerlandt (Ireland) who were admitted by certificate as:

"WILLIAM PICKENS and wife, MARGARET"

"Several other Pickenses"

"ISRAEL PICKENS"

(Monroe Pickens Record in the Day history)

ISRAEL PICKENS, the above pioneer appears to have come to Virginia. There is a notation I have seen but do not have the authority for it, that Israel Pickens came to Pittsylvania County, Virginia in 1745 and that he patented 400 acres of land on Chestnut Creek. Augusta County records show that Israel Pickens died in 1749.

## WILLIAM PICKENS

WILLIAM PICKENS, the last named of the three pioneer Pickens men came to America, as stated, about 1719. From the record of Rev. E. M. Sharp, William Pickens and his wife, Margaret, who came to Bucks County, Pennsylvania are thought to be the parents of a set of boys and tradition says some girls who later moved to Lancaster, Pennsylvania and then down into Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina. From his record, the Monroe Pickens record and from research of various places the names of the children of WILLIAM and MARGARET PICKENS all born in Ireland are:

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|-------------------|--|
| 1 ANDREW          | M NANCY DAVIS                                |
| 2 WILLIAM PICKENS | M WIDOW SCOTT in Augusta County,<br>Virginia |
| 3 GABRIEL         | M ZERUBIAH                                   |
| 4 ISRAEL          | M MARTHA                                     |
| 5 ROBERT          | M MIRIAM                                     |
| 6 JOHN            | M ELEANOR                                    |

1. ANDREW PICKENS who married Nancy Davis came to Augusta County, Virginia from Bucks County, Pennsylvania about 1839. On October 1, 1751 he was allowed a grant of 800 acres of land in South Carolina. He was Captain of a Militia in Mecklenberg District in 1755 and 1756. He was a member of the first Court of Augusta County, Virginia. He was interested in the work of the Presbyterian Church. His will on file at Raleigh, N. C., in 1756 bears the name of JOHN PICKENS as a witness. An inventory of the ANDREW PICKENS estate was made and presented to the Anson County Court in 1757. The widow and Maj. William Davis presented the inventory.

The children of ANDREW (Col.) and (Nancy) Ann Davis PICKENS are given as:

A	Katherine	D	James
B	John	E	Joseph
C	Jane	F	Andrew (Gen.)

A. KATHERINE PICKENS, daughter of Col. Andrew and Nancy Ann Davis Pickens, married Maj. William Davis. Their children were:

(1)	Robin	(3)	Thomas
(2)	James	(4)	Martha

(1). ROBIN DAVIS married Nancy Pickens, daughter of Israel Pickens. Their children were Rufus and Maggie Davis.

(2) JAMES DAVIS married Elizabeth Walkup, whose will dated April 22, 1815 gives children as: William, James, John, Robert and Henry Davis.

NOTE: This marriage into the Davis family is of especial interest to our John Pickens genealogy, since there is a kinship in a marriage of a couple in our line who were told that they were seventh cousins. It appears that the old Davis connection is the only one it could be and if so that is one more proof that our John Pickens was a son of John and Eleanor Pickens, hence a cousin of Katherine Pickens Davis.

B. JOHN PICKENS, son of Col. Andrew and Nancy Ann Davis Pickens appears to have been older than his brother Gen. Andrew Pickens. Not much is known about this son of the family. From Monroe Pickens record, it is known that Captain John Pickens, brother of General Andrew Pickens, after being taken prisoner by the British was delivered to the Indians to be tortured at the stake. (Historical Collections of South Carolina, Vol. 1, page 252).

I have noticed in various records that John and Joseph Pickens, brothers, were killed at the siege of Fort Ninety Six, during the Revolution. From the Monroe Pickens record concerning some claims of South Carolina Revolutionary soldiers No. 193, Book S. page 136. "Issued the 10 of June 1785 to..... For estate of Mr. John Pickens for Forty one Pounds Eight Shillings and Six Pence three farthings Sterling for duty done in the Militia and a mare lost pr. Account credited." In all probability he left a widow and several children but no record of them has been found by the various people who have been seeking Pickens lore.

C. JANE PICKENS, daughter of Col. Andrew and Nancy Ann Davis Pickens married Rev. Robert Miller some time prior to 1758, while the family was living at the Waxhaw Settlement, and when the Pickens family moved to the Long Cane settlement, Rev. Robert Miller and his family moved there also. He was a Scotch minister from Scotland and served in various churches in South Carolina and as Chaplain in the Army in the Revolutionary War. The children of Rev. Robert and Jane Pickens Miller were: Robert, Annie, Andrew, Ebenezer, Jane, Margaret, Joseph and John Henry Miller, who married Jane Pickens, daughter of General Andrew Pickens and moved to Mississippi. (Monroe Pickens record). Further history of John Henry Miller who was a physician will be given in the General Andrew Pickens record.

D. JAMES PICKENS, son of Col. Andrew and Nancy Ann Davis Pickens is supposed to have lost his life about the time of the Revolutionary war or



in it but Monroe Pickens was unable to find out anything definite about him or any descendents.

E. JOSEPH PICKENS, son of Col. Andrew and Nancy Ann Davis Pickens married Eleanor Pickens, daughter of his Uncle John and Eleanor Pickens. I have some very interesting information concerning Joseph Pickens and his wife, from Rev. E. M. Sharp, whose ancestry in this line will be shown.

He says that Col. Joseph Pickens, Captain in the Revolutionary War "was killed during the siege of Fort Ninety Six in May 1781. He was shot from within the fort by a Tory neighbor who bore him a grudge. The wound he received was not at first thought to be serious, but he died several days later from internal bleeding."

He says that in an old platt book in Abbeville he found that Eleanor Pickens, widow of Captain Joseph Pickens was given "300 acres of land on Bradaway Creek above the ancient boundary line. In the settlement of the estate she left some money to the pastor of the Bradaway church. Eleanor Pickens did not leave a will but the estate was administered by Israel Pickens and it was in the name of the late Joseph Pickens."

Rev. Sharp lists the children of Captain Joseph and Eleanor Pickens as:

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|-------------|------------|
| (1) William | (5) Joseph |
| (2) Andrew  | (6) Ann    |
| (3) John    | (7) Jane   |
| (4) Israel  |            |

(1) WILLIAM PICKENS married Martha Anderson and moved to Livingston County, Ky., later to Lawrence County, Miss., and in 1830 to Carrol County Miss. His descendents still live in that part of Mississippi and the town of Pickens, Miss., was located on the land of a grandson.

(2) ANDREW PICKENS married Margaret Dowdle and died in 1795 leaving his widow with five small children, the oldest being my Jane who married John Henry, the next a son Joseph who married and settled in Madison County, Ala., near Huntsville, and left a family of some twelve children who populated Alabama generously. Three other daughters married in Madison County, Alabama.

In August, 1942, I had a letter from Rev. E. M. Sharp of Mississippi, in which he asked if I might know something of the line in which his ancestor Jane Pickens who married Rev. John M. Henry, might be found. I was of very little help, but he, together with some other people seeking Pickens history, did find their Jane Pickens lineage and in doing so unearthed a lot of other facts of Pickens kin and their related families. I have quoted from his material in several places in the book and will now give something of the ancestry of his Jane Pickens and her husband.

Jane Pickens was the daughter of Andrew Pickens and his wife, Margaret Dowdle Pickens of Anderson County, S. C. Andrew Pickens was the oldest son of Captain and Mrs. Joseph Pickens (mentioned above). Margaret Dowdle was the daughter of Robert Dowdle who was an elder in Bradaway

Presbyterian Church on Bradaway Creek in Anderson County, near the present town of Belton, S. C.

Margaret Dowdle Pickens as a widow moved to Livingston County, Ky., and in 1810 was living as a neighbor to Samuel Henry who had moved from Pendleton Dist. S. C., to near Marion, Livingston County, Ky. Tradition says that Margaret Dowdle Pickens later went to Madison County, Ala., with her son and died there.

Jane Pickens married John Madison Henry in Livingston County, Ky., in 1810. He was born in South Carolina. He was in Madison County, Ala., very early and enlisted in Perkins County to fight the Creek Indians. He was present at the organization of the first Baptist State Convention in Alabama.

Jane Pickens Henry was a sister of Joseph Pickens who lived in Madison County, Alabama. There is a tradition that this Joseph Pickens volunteered to serve during the Creek War in Alabama under Andrew Jackson and that he enlisted at Strawberry Springs, Tenn. In the war, while they camped at Huntsville, Alabama, he met a girl by the name of Selina Brazleton and when he returned he married her.

I have a record here which came in some information from Thomas McMurry which evidently is the lineage of this Joseph Pickens. Quoting: Joseph Andrew Pickens was born August 30, 1794 and died 1870. He married Selina Brazleton who was born May 30, 1804. Their children and marriages are given as:

Hypasia	m Rev. W. G. Milligan
Andrew G.	m Rebecca Wright-Emily Conley
Henry Wilson	m Lucy W. Nolan
Catherine	m Leonard Lamberson
Elizabeth	m Preston Hills
Jane	m John H. Haden
Margaret	m Robert Walton-Mr. Trice
Lydia	m Pat Barnard
Joseph W. Israel	m Elizabeth Hayden
James C.	m Emma Draper
John M.	m Mollie Lamberson

(3) JOHN PICKENS, son of Capt. Joseph and Eleanor Pickens — went to Livingston County, Ky. There are some records of him there but he didn't remain there long.

(4) ISRAEL PICKENS—lost sight of.

(5) JOSEPH PICKENS—lost sight of unless he is the Joseph Pickens who appears in Carrol County, Mississippi, along with William Pickens. This Joseph had no children.

(6) ANN PICKENS married James Dowdle and lived in Grainger County, Tennessee, and Livingston County, Kentucky. In 1944 I received a request for information concerning Pickens connections from Mr. Nolan P. Olsen, Logan, Utah. Through later contacts with Mr. Monroe Pickens and



Rev. E. M. Sharp, he was able to find his record which is in the same line as you see, with Rev. Sharp and sent some information of his family.

He says that his second great grandfather Robert Dowdle was a son of James and Ann Pickens Dowdle, and a grandson of Joseph and Eleanor Pickens.

(7) JANE PICKENS married Robert Dowdle Jr., and had six daughters. She died in Anderson County, S. C. He married second, Jane Bennett and moved to Pickens County, Alabama and lived part of the time in Lowndes County, Mississippi.

F. GENERAL ANDREW PICKENS, son of the pioneer Col. Andrew and Nancy Ann Davis Pickens, was born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, September 13, 1739 and died August 11, 1817 at his home in Oconee County, South Carolina. A sketch of his life has been given. The children of Col. Andrew and his wife Rebecca Calhoun Pickens are:

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| (1) Mary     | (6) Andrew (Gov.) |
| (2) Ezekiel  | (7) Rebecca       |
| (3) Ann      | (8) Catherine     |
| (4) Jane     | (9) Joseph        |
| (5) Margaret |                   |

(1). MARY PICKENS (1766-1845) married John Harris (1766-1845). Their children were Andrew, John, Rebecca, Mary, Ezekiel, Nathaniel, Thomas, Joseph, Eliza and Benjamin Harris.

(2). EZEKIEL PICKENS (1768-1813) was born and reared in South Carolina. He is said to have been a good citizen of the community. I saw a statement in some historical data at the State Library at Nashville that Ezekiel Pickens bought part of a large tract of land called Silk Hope, near Charleston, S. C. His part was called the Brick-yard. The purchase was for 3500 acres and was purchased after 1805. At Ezekiel's death it was conveyed to Isaac Ball. He married (1) Elizabeth Bonneau, February 6, 1793. Their children were: Ezekiel Jr., Samuel, Andrew and Elizabeth Pickens. The second wife of Ezekiel Pickens was Eliza Barksdale (1782-1859). Their children were Thomas J., Andrew and Mary Barksdale Pickens.

(3). ANN PICKENS (1770-1846) married John Simpson of Pensacola, Florida. Their children were: Leah, Rebecca, Andrew, John, Ezekiel and Jane Simpson.

(4). JANE PICKENS (1774-1848) married Dr. John Henry Miller, son of Rev. Robert and Jane Pickens Miller. They moved to Mississippi. Their children were Robert, John and Eliza Miller. Francis Pickens Miller is a descendent in this line. In "Presbyterian Life" of some months ago there was this comment about him. "Francis Pickens Miller, whose home is at Pickens Hill, near Charlottesville, Virginia, a contributing editor of Presbyterian Life is one of America's outstanding Presbyterians. A graduate of Washington and Lee University, Mr. Miller was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford in 1921. He succeeded John R. Mott as Chairman of the World's Student Christian Federation and from 1928 to 1938 traveled all over the world. As a colonel in the intelligence

section of General Eisenhower's staff, he won decorations from Great Britain, France, and Belgium.

"Francis Pickens Miller's unusual record in politics, literature, military affairs, and education recalls the versatility of Thomas Jefferson, whose residence, Monticello, is near Pickens Hill. He and his wife, who writes under the name, Helen Hill, have two sons."

I had a feeling that he was a descendant of Jane Pickens Miller and in answer to a query had this reply September 17, 1948. "I am descended from General Andrew Pickens through his daughter Jean, who married John Henry Miller, who subsequently settled at Pontotoc, Mississippi, where my grandfather and father were born.

"You will be interested to know that I have the sword which the Continental Congress gave Andrew Pickens for his action at the Battle of Cowpens, together with the letter written by Major General Knox, Secretary of War, which accompanied the sword. I also have the dining room tables which Andrew Pickens gave Jean at the time of her marriage."

(5). MARGARET PICKENS (1776-1830) was born in what is now Abbeville County, South Carolina. When a child she moved with her parents to near Pendleton, South Carolina. She married Major George Bowie, a lawyer of Abbeville, South Carolina. Margaret Pickens Bowie was buried at Valley Creek Church, Dallas County, near Selma, Alabama. The only child was Louisa Augusta Bowie, who married Captain William S. Smith of Charleston, South Carolina. She was also buried near Selma, Alabama.

(6). ANDREW PICKENS (Gov.) was born in what is now Abbeville County, South Carolina, November 13, 1779 and died June 24, 1838. He was buried in the Old Stone Church Cemetery, near Pendleton, South Carolina. A short sketch of him is given in this book. He married (1) Susan Smith Wilkinson, who was born January 9, 1788 and died January 28, 1810. Their children were FRANCIS WILKINSON PICKENS, born April 7, 1805 and SUSAN PICKENS born June 24, 1808.

Governor Andrew Pickens married (2) Mary Harrison, daughter of Benjamin Harrison of Berkley, Virginia.

FRANCIS WILKINSON PICKENS became ambassador to Russia, was governor of South Carolina, and was a public leader in various other ways. A short sketch of him is also given in the book. He married (1) Margaret Eliza Simpkins of Edgefield, S. C. Their children were: Maria, Anna, Eliza, Rebecca, Francis, Susan and Eldred Pickens. Francis Pickens married (2) Marion Dearing of Georgia. Their only child was Jeannie Pickens who married Mitchell Whaley, Francis W. Pickens married (3) Lucy Holcombe who was born June 11, 1832 at La Grange, Fayette County, Tennessee. She also lived in Texas and a glimpse into her brilliant career is given in the article concerning her husband. The child of this marriage was Douschka Pickens who, born in the Russian Palace, received wide acclaim there and later from the people of her home-land. A glimpse of her life is also given in that of her father and mother. Douschka Pickens married Dr. George Dugas of Augusta, Georgia. Their children were: Lucy and Adrienne Dorothea (Dolly) Dugas.



SUSAN PICKENS, daughter of Governor Andrew and Susan Wilkinson Pickens, was born in South Carolina, June 24, 1808 and died in Alabama Sept. 7, 1878. She married Judge James Martin Calhoun May 26, 1830. He was a judge, senator, a large farm owner in Alabama, and in the city of Cahaba was a law partner of his cousin Ezekiel Pickens. Their children were: Rebecca Pickens, Susan Wilkinson, Andrew Pickens, Sallie Louisa, James Francis, and John Caldwell Calhoun.

(7). REBECCA PICKENS (1784-1831) married William Noble of S. C. Their children were William, Andrew, Ezekiel, Samuel and Joseph Noble.

(8). CATHERINE PICKENS (1786-1871) was born in Abbeville District, South Carolina and died at Selma, Alabama. She married Dr. John Hunter. Their children were: Maria Rebecca, Margaret Ann, John Andrew, Eliza Barksdale, Ezekiel, Joseph, and John Thomas Pickens Hunter.

(9.) JOSEPH PICKENS (1791-1870) (Col.) was born near Pendleton, South Carolina. He married Caroline Henderson and their home was in Alabama. Their children were: Sarah, Rebecca, Joseph, Henderson, and Andrew Pickens.

2. WILLIAM PICKENS, son of William and Margaret Pickens married a widow Scott in Augusta County, Virginia. There were a number of William Pickens in the older period of Virginia history and it is a hard task to decide a correct lineage for them. Several Williams of incompleated ancestry are given in the Kate Pickens Day Book. I give here only a little information which I have collected. There are several references in old Virginia records to Pickens people in connection with the Scott family. William Pickens, whose wife was Ann, made a will in Montgomery County, Virginia, November 19, 1783. He had a son named Thomas and the witnesses to the will were Joseph Hone and John Cecill. A William Pickens was a member of the legislature from Faquer County, Virginia in 1781. A William Pickens served in South Carolina troops who was born in 1742 in Virginia and is said to have married Rebecca Caldwell and to have had a daughter Eleanor (1785-1843) who married Patrick Calhoun.

3. GABRIEL PICKENS, son of William and Margaret Pickens, married Zerubiah. — From the records of Augusta County, Virginia, we find that Gabriel Pickens was a member of the militia of this county in 1742; he bought 100 acres of land on Howell Branch March 18, 1751 and he was witness to a deed November 10, 1757.

4. ISRAEL PICKENS, son of William and Margaret Pickens had a wife named Martha.—In the Monroe Pickens record it is shown that an Inventory was made of the estate of Israel Pickens, Anson County Court House, North Carolina, with 1758 as the nearest date. It was signed by Martha and William Pickens.

A record from county histories of Virginia at the State Library at Nashville, stated that the Israel Pickens who owned land in Augusta County, Virginia, in 1749 was in Luxemburg in 1751, and was connected with the Cub Creek Presbyterian congregation. In 1751 he with others bought an acre of ground from William Caldwell on April 2 "for a burial place, with timber for

paling the said ground, reserving to himself and heirs a burial place there." He was later in Charlotte. Rev. E. M. Sharp said the widow of Israel Pickens who had died in the Cub Creek neighborhood in Charlotte County, Virginia, with her children moved to Mecklenburg, North Carolina.

From the Monroe Pickens Record the children of ISRAEL AND MARTHA PICKENS are:

(1) William	m—Elizabeth—
(2) Mary	
(3) Nancy	m—Robin Davis
(4) Rebecca	m—James Davis
(5) Margaret	m—James Walkup
(6) Hannah	m—James Montgomery
(7) Samuel	m—Jane Carrigan

(7.) The SAMUEL PICKENS who married Jane Carrigan, was an officer in the Revolutionary war. He is thought to have had sons — James, Samuel, Israel and maybe Joseph. The son Israel is the one who was Governor of Alabama and a short sketch of him is included in this book.

5. ROBERT PIKE PICKENS, son of the pioneer William and Margaret Pickens, is the ancestor of Monroe Pickens, who collected the history of the Carolina Pickens people, and also the ancestor of Kate Pickens Day who has just published the Monroe Pickens record. A brief summary of this family will be taken from that book.

It appears that Robert Pickens was born in Ireland, coming to America sometime between 1720 and 1737. It seems that he settled in Maryland, afterward going South about 1754 to the Waxhaw settlement near the Catawba River on the line between North and South Carolina. After about eight years there he moved in 1763 to the Long Cane settlement in Abbeville County, S. C. After the close of the Revolutionary War, his son Captain Pickens moved in 1783 to the head waters of Three and Twenty Creek in Anderson District and took his father with him and he took care of him until his death in 1793 at the age of 96. Robert Pike Pickens was the first person to be buried in the Pickens graveyard and shows his record as (1697-1793). The children of Robert Pike Pickens and his wife, Miriam are:

(1) Israel	(5) Andrew
(2) Robert Capt.	(6) Samuel
(3) Annie	(7) Margaret
(4) David	(8) Elizabeth

(1). ISRAEL PICKENS was probably born in Maryland, married a Miss Bole or Boyd and settled in Abbeville District, S. C., and then went to Rocky River in Anderson County. He died in 1829 and his children are listed as: John, William, Israel, Dilly, Rebecca, Ellender, Mary, Elizabeth, Melinda, Sally and Ezekiel Andrew Pickens.

\*(2). CAPTAIN ROBERT PICKENS, son of Robert Pike Pickens, was born in Maryland, November 26, 1747. His moves have been mentioned in the paragraphs about his father. He was a member of the personal staff of



General Andrew Pickens in the Revolutionary War and became Captain. He was an elder and assisted in the organization of the Three and Twenty Presbyterian church. He died July 19, 1830 and was buried in the family graveyard which was located on his place.

He married Dorcas Hallum in Abbeville County, South Carolina, December 25, 1773. She was born February 1, 1760 and died February 5, 1828 and is buried beside her husband. This couple stand before their descendents as worthy examples of Christian living. Their children are:

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|---------------|------------|
| (1) John      | (6) Andrew |
| (2) Martha    | (7) Dorcas |
| (3) Margaret  | (8) Annie  |
| (4) Elizabeth | (9) Robert |
| (5) Mary      |            |

(1). JOHN PICKENS of the above list was born in Abbeville, S. C., May 21, 1775, and died November 18, 1827 and is buried in the old Pickens Cemetery in the southern part of McMinn County. He married Nancy Bowen December 19, 1799, who was born in South Carolina, May 25, 1799. The children of this John and Nancy Bowen Pickens were all born in South Carolina except the last one or two of them. The family came to McMinn County, Tennessee and lived about twelve miles southeast of Athens. I heard from Spence Pickens, a great great grandson of the John Pickens who first came to Athens. Some of the descendents of this line have attended our reunions from Athens and Etowah. In the list of some former attendants of the Reunion at Eusebia Church, I find the names of C. A. Pickens and R. M. Pickens from Athens, Tennessee and Hugh and James F. Carlock of Etowah. There have also been some Davis people from this line and perhaps others.

I have a complete record of this family in my possession and it is also given in the Kate Pickens Day record. The children of John and Nancy Bowen Pickens are given as:

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| a Mary B.         | m—John Smith-d-near Athens, Tenn., 1839         |
| b Robert          | m—Mary Smith and Nancy Purdy                    |
| c Dorcas          | m—Israel Smith—moved to Texas                   |
| d Reece           | m—Elizabeth Neal                                |
| e Andrew          | m—Rebecca Stanton-Jane Ann Ragon and Mrs. Myers |
| f Rebecca         | m—Abraham B. Neal-d-Greenbush, Ga.              |
| g William Kennedy | m—Mary White-d-Cleveland, Tenn.                 |
| h Charles Asbury  | m—Malinda Smith and Mrs. Cassie Lane            |
| i Nancy           | m—Henry B. Davis-d-Cleveland, Tenn.             |
| j Martha          |   |

h. CHARLES ASBURY PICKENS of the above list was born November 4, 1814 in Anderson County, S. C., coming to Tennessee with his parents when six years old. He died February 18, 1875 at the old John Pickens home of his father, where he made his home during his lifetime. The children of Charles Asbury and Malinda Smith Pickens are: David C., Sarah J., Mary E., Susie L., John A., Julius K., Robert Mason, Henry B., and Lillie U. Pickens. C. A. Pickens who attended the Reunion is a grandson of this Charles Asbury Pickens and the Carlocks are descended from Lillie U. Pickens (last named) who married John C. Carlock.

An interesting fact is that the Andrew of the above list had a son, Captain James Pickens who lived at Knoxville, Tennessee, where he died in 1892.

(2). MARTHA PICKENS, daughter of Captain Robert and Dorcas Hallum Pickens, was born June 15, 1776 in Abbeville County, S. C. She married John Smith about 1800 and the family lived in S. C. Children were: Lucinda, Talitha, Sidney, Miranda, Mary, A., John C., James D., and Andrew M. Smith.

(3). MARGARET PICKENS, daughter of Captain Robert and Dorcas Hallum Pickens, was born Aug. 4, 1778 in Abbeville County, S. C. She has a son William Pickens.

(4). ELIZABETH PICKENS, daughter of Captain Robert Pickens and wife was born April 16, 1780 in Abbeville County, S. C. She remained single, lived a very helpful life and is buried in the Pickens graveyard.

(5). MARY PICKENS daughter of Captain Robert Pickens and wife was born Jan. 30, 1782 in Abbeville County, S. C. She married George Bowman, a Methodist minister and moved to Indiana.

(6). ANDREW PICKENS son of Capt. Robert and Dorcas Hallum Pickens was born in Abbeville County, S. C. Dec. 24, 1783 and died in Weaverville, N. C. March 9, 1860. In 1809 he became a minister of the Methodist Church. He had large land holdings near Weaverville, was a faithful pastor and active in the "political and social affairs of the community." He married Catherine Weaver Sept. 4, 1815. She was born June 21, 1796 and died in 1836. He married second, D. A. Edwards Oct. 2, 1844. They had a daughter Amelia Tabitha Pickens. Rev. Andrew Pickens is the one in whose honor the Pickens organization in North Carolina is named and which has had meetings for many years. The children of Rev. Andrew and Catherine Weaver Pickens are:

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| a James Tarpley | d Christley Andrew |
| b Eliza Ann     | e Martha Catherine |
| c Robert Wesley | f Margaret Susanna |

a. JAMES TARPLEY PICKENS, son of Rev. Andrew and Catherine Weaver Pickens, was born Aug. 17, 1816 in Anderson County, South Carolina, and died December 29, 1885 at Swannanoa, N. C. He married Matilda Patton Jan. 20, 1842, who was born Feb. 18, 1821. Their children were: Elizabeth Ann, George, Mary Jane, Robert C., James M., William C., Margaret Eliza, Martha and Francis Tarpley Pickens.

The last named, FRANCIS TARPLEY PICKENS is the father of Kate Pickens Day and a little history of her immediate family is given. Francis Tarpley Pickens was born April 14, 1860 and was reared near Asheville, N. C. He was a teacher and postmaster. He married Clemma Penland Dec. 26, 1889 who was born Jan. 20, 1868. She taught for a period before her marriage in the public schools of Buncombe county. The home of this family was at "Sleepy Hollow," just outside of Weaverville, N. C. Here there was always a hospitable atmosphere, and friends and kin in small numbers up to those of the "Andrew Pickens Reunion" members were often recipients of their hospitality. It was the privilege of the girls and me to visit in their home and attend one of



their reunions, held at a nearby home. Their cordiality and friendly spirit made the visit a very happy and well remembered one. Occasional later contacts with members of the family have increased this devotion.

FRANCIS T. PICKENS and wife celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1938. He died in December, 1939 and his wife in February, 1950. Their children are: Nell, Glenn, Esther Katherine (Kate), Edith, Carrie, Francis T. Jr., Margaret, Ethel Lassaphine, Hugh and Samuel Penland Pickens.

Of these, NELL PICKENS has an M.A. from Teachers College, Columbia University and has been in various phases of Home Economics work for several years, including a teaching position at Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn, Alabama.

GLENN PICKENS (Dick) was born Oct. 25, 1891. He has been a teacher for a number of years.

ESTHER KATHERINE PICKENS (Kate) was born Feb. 20, 1894. She graduated from Weaver College and taught school for four years. She married Benjamin T. Day, June 15, 1918. He was a successful business man of Easley, S. C. and from an obituary concerning his death Feb. 13, 1949, several facts are quoted. "Mr. Day was born in Easley, March 30, 1897, a son of the late Alonzo E. and Ann Bolt Day. For 22 years he was president of the Easley Lumber Co. and at the time of his death was operating the Day Hardware Co. at Easley and was co-owner of the Seneca Hardware Co. at Seneca."

He served as a member of the State General Assembly from Pickens County 1942-1944. He was past president of the Easley Rotary Club, a Mason and a member of the Hejax Temple of the Shrine. He was also a member of Elks and Moose Lodges.

He was a director of the Easley Chamber of Commerce, the Bank of Easley and the Loan Association. He was a member of the First Methodist Church of Easley.

The children of Ben and Kate Pickens Day are: Margaret Penland Day who married Victor Ball and has two children Ann Katherine (Kathy) Ball, born Jan. 2, 1945 and Esther Caroline Ball, born May 9, 1948, and live in Indiana, I believe. Esther Day who married Don L. Moore, lives at Easley, S. C., and has a child, Benjamin, born in the summer of 1950, named for his grandfather Day.

It has been my privilege to visit in the Day home and to have members of their family in our home. They have also been welcome visitors at our Pickens Reunion on more than one occasion. Kate Pickens Day is a likable, talented person, vitally connected with various undertakings in her home town. She has been connected in an editorial capacity with an Easley newspaper and has a flair for writing. She was well fitted to take up the task of compiling the "Cousin Monroe Pickens History," which he had collected but died before being able to publish it. It is a well done work and much credit is due to her as well as to the collector of the record. She lives at her home in Easley, S. C.

EDITH PICKENS was born Feb. 15, 1896. She attended College and graduated from the University of Tennessee in 1916. She was a talented

musician. She married John C. Joyner in 1929, who is a lawyer at Asheville, N. C. They had three children. Edith Pickens Joyner died in August, 1942. Her daughter Nancy Joyner is being raised by her Aunt Kate Pickens Day.

FRANCIS T. PICKENS, Jr., was born Dec. 16, 1900. He married Ruth Ray of Oklahoma City, Feb. 9, 1923. He is a mechanic.

MARGARET PICKENS graduated from Maryville College in 1926. She studied Art in College and at Columbia University, and is a teacher.

ETHEL LASSAPHINE PICKENS (Lass) was born Dec. 31, 1905. She married J. S. Kendall, a teacher of Weaver College and their home is at Weaverville. Their children are: Mary Clemma, Jennings Smith, and Sarah Lucille Kendall.

HUGH CURRY PICKENS made a good record as a student and in athletics at Weaver College. He was employed in Easley, S C., and was at the home of his sister, Kate Pickens Day when he died suddenly in Feb. 1939.

PEARL AND SAMUEL PICKENS of this family died in infancy.

b. ELIZA ANN PICKENS, daughter of Rev. Andrew and Catherine Weaver Pickens was born Aug. 17, 1820. She married Andrew J. Gill, lived at Weaverville, N. C. and died Aug. 14, 1912. They reared a family.

c. ROBERT WESLEY PICKENS, son of Rev. Andrew Pickens and wife, was born in Buncombe County, N. C., near Weaverville, Nov. 21, 1823 and died Jan. 21, 1918. He was a Methodist minister and had several children. He was married three times; (1) Caroline M. Brickley, (2) Susan Forgy and (3) Tolitha Scott. By the first wife there were, Francis C., Flora, Ella and Mary C. Pickens. By the second, James F., J. Wiley, Mary E., and Cornelius Miller Pickens. The latter, known as Rev. C. M. Pickens attended our Reunion. He was born at Weaverville, N. C. Jan. 20, 1867. He became a minister of the Methodist church in 1892. He served various churches in N. C., and has had many positions of honor and trust in the general work of the Methodist church. He has also been a trustee and long time worker in the interest of Weaver College. He has served as the President of the Andrew Pickens Reunion Association for quite a period of time.

He married Emma Watts of Fairmont, Ga., Oct. 29, 1895. Their children are; Wiley, Robert, Marion, Marshall and Stanton Pickens.

d. CHRISTLEY ANDREW PICKENS, son of Rev. Andrew Pickens and wife, was born near Weaverville, N. C., Feb. 24, 1829 and died at High Point, N. C., March 3, 1908. He was a minister in the Methodist church. He married Sophina Caroline Dillingham, April 4, 1854. There were two children, Rupert T. and Emma Pickens. The former was a lawyer and held positions of honor including that of Representative in the legislature. He married and had a family.

e. MARTHA CATHERINE PICKENS, daughter of Rev. Andrew Pickens and wife was born May 27, 1831 and died Dec. 1, 1890. She married William Henry Carter Jan. 26, 1848. They had seven children.



f. MARGARET SUSANNA PICKENS, daughter of Rev. Andrew Pickens and wife was born July 22, 1835 and died Sept. 2, 1929 at Grouse, Oregon. She married James Bachus Ray and after his death married Nathan Ray. There were several children.

(7). DORCAS PICKENS, daughter of Captain Robert and Dorcas Hallum Pickens, was born July 24, 1785 in Anderson County, S. C. She married William Paris and moved to McMinn County, Tennessee. There were several children.

(8). ANNIE PICKENS, daughter of Captain Robert and Dorcas Hallum Pickens was born May 22, 1787. She is thought to have married James Bowling and to have gone west.

(9). ROBERT PICKENS, youngest son of Captain Robert and Dorcas Hallum Pickens, was born in Anderson County, S. C. May 14, 1795 and died in the same house Nov. 1, 1871. He was buried in the Pickens graveyard. He married (1) Martha Smith Nov. 17, 1814 and their children were: Margaret, Sarah, John, William S., Robert Mason, Martha Ann, James Madison, Charles Franklin, and Israel Wesley Pickens. He married (2) Nancy Pegg, April 11, 1837. Their children were: Elizabeth C., Andrew Monroe, Thomas Jefferson, Sidney Asbury, Virginia Angeline, Dorcas Emeline, Mary M., Adison G., and Savina Jane Pickens.

Much data and many interesting stories are given of this family as well as of many other persons in the Monroe Pickens record but I shall only give the lineage from here of Monroe Pickens.

The father of Monroe Pickens was the fifth child of (9) Robert Pickens and his first wife, Martha Smith Pickens. He was born in the old Pickens homestead in Anderson Co., S. C., March 14, 1899. He served in the Confederate army and at the close of the war became a Minister of the Methodist Church. He served many churches and was a Mason. He married Martha Ann Burdine Jan. 17, 1850. Their children were; Julia, Zealy Ann, James Robert. Theodore Franklin, William Asbury, Thomas Mason Monroe and Wesley Burdine Pickens.

MONROE PICKENS, next to the last in the list of children, was born in Anderson County, S. C., Sept. 30, 1866. He died February 7, 1945 at his home in Greenville, S. C. He became an accountant and entered the service of the Southern Railway Company Feb. 12, 1896 in Charlotte, N. C. He transferred the next year to Greenville, S. C. where he remained in service until his retirement April 1, 1938.

He married Emma Medlock Nov. 4, 1891 who lives at Greenville, S. C. Their child was born May 5, 1903. She married Warren Wells Hunt, March 27, 1937.

Monroe Pickens was a member of the Board of Directors of several Loan Companies. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World and an officer in the Odd Fellows organization.

He was truly an ardent lay member of the church. On the date of his first birthday following his death, Buncombe St. Methodist Church dedicated

the Church Bulletin to his memory. A good likeness of him was pictured on the front. From a copy sent to me by his daughter, I copy these words from his pastor, Rev. J. W. Shackford. "In the Church School, at one time or another, he served as Supt., as Treasurer of its funds, as Chairman of its Board of Education, Superintendent of Literature and Classification, and as host to the school. All of these positions except the first were held by him at the time of his death. Perhaps, however, the picture of him that will be remembered longest, is that of his tall, impressive figure, standing in the hall of the Church School Building on Sunday morning. There he always stood, as the personification of Buncombe Street Church School, to welcome all who entered, early or late, and to direct little children and strangers to the proper class rooms.

For many years he served as Steward, as Trustee and as Chairman of the Board of Trustees . . . . . and as Church Historian, lovingly compiling and recording the facts and events that belonged to the history of Buncombe Street . . . . . It was fitting that such a man, who though a layman, had so fully invested his life in the service of God and his church, should by unanimous consent, stand on each communion Sunday by the Table of the Lord to assist with the Holy Communion."

A banquet was given in the church in honor of Monroe Pickens and his wife on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. He was a kindly, courteous man surely revered by those who knew him more intimately but remembered kindly by those others of us who were privileged to know him in only the few times he was present among us at our Reunions.

And that brings us to the thought of his great work in collecting Pickens history. For a great many years he had been spending much time at this task. In a letter, he said that he made it a rule to write a letter or add something each night to his family record. He was interested in any Pickens by the name and most obliging in giving out facts or suggestions to others in the same search. He leaves a wonderful record, a lasting memorial in the marvelous history he prepared with all its facts and interesting stories of the Pickens people about whom he wrote. As the generations glide by, making that much harder the collection of ancestral history, the value of his work will be even more enhanced.

## JOHN AND ELEANOR PICKENS

(According to quite positive proof the above couple are the parents of our John Pickens.)

6. JOHN PICKENS, last in the list of the children of WILLIAM and MARGARET PICKENS was probably born in Ireland, coming to America with his parents when a small child. From the Monroe Pickens record he, with other brothers, lived first in Bucks County, Pennsylvania and then Lancaster, moving to Virginia about 1740. Miss Owen, Genealogist said that from Chalkey's Records of Augusta County, Va., he came to Washington County, Virginia in 1745 and left here in 1754 or 1756 for South Carolina. The name of his wife was Eleanor.

He was quite a business man and there are entries of various sources in Chalkley's History of Augusta County Court Records, concerning him. John





The John and Letitia Hannah Pickens homestead



The old home is in its original state except for repairs and modern conveniences. A living-room and two bed-rooms are across the front. A "step-down" dining room and kitchen make the ell. There are four big fire places; the twelve foot ceiling is of wide planks and the structural work was done with wooden pegs. Photo — Courtesy of Dr. Kenneth W. Christenberry, Knoxville, Tenn.







Pickens and Eleanor his wife, living in Augusta, while a part of Orange received a deed in 1740. Feb. 27, 1740, "John Pickens "Gent" sold to William Baskins 10-L, current money of Virginia 212 acres—acknowledged and dower released by Eleanor, his wife." Feb. 27, 1740 John Pickens and Eleanor his wife sold to Anthony Strother of King George from Beverly. Feb. 27, 1740, John Pickens sold to Wm. Baskins 552 acres, part of 764 acres conveyed by Beverly to John Pickens. June 1, 1748, John Pickens bought 400 acres on southside of river, near Samuel Davidson, and 400 acres near land he bought from Dotty. Aug. 16, 1749, John Pickens bought 400 acres—Hamilton's old place and 400 acres between John Kerr and John Carr. He and wife Eleanor sold 300 acres of land on Christians Creek to Wm. Bell, Oct. 9, 1754.

He was a farmer and "a trader and cattle dealer and had been for several years before 1747." In July 1746 he had a mill. In a suit of Sept., 1746, he was called "Major." He was a member of the first court of Augusta County in 1745. He was chosen by Elizabeth and Catherine King, November 27, 1751, to be their Guardian. He sued a man for slander who said he had run away from Paxton township, where he had formerly lived.

He left Augusta County in 1754 and from then on his whereabouts are rather vague. He is said by some to have settled in Craven County and in 1767 was in Granville County. He is thought by some to have drowned in 1760 at Grindle Shoals Bridge, S. C. There is record of a deed of sale of property sold by John Pickens, Sr. of Prince William Parish, 1769, "on both sides of Great Rocky Creek in Granville County, bordered by Gabriel Pickens on the north-east, transferred to John Middleton with John Pickens, Jr. as a witness to the transaction. (This deed is recorded at Charleston in 1769.) (Rev. Sharp.) If this deed is for the John in question it was of course another John who drowned in 1760.

I shall quote now from the record of Rev. E. M. Sharp. "There are some published records of the pastorate of Rev. John Craig, when he was pastor of the Old Stone Church in Augusta County, Va. and from them and several other sources we have a partial list of the children of Old John Pickens as follows:

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| 1. Elizabeth | 4. Helenor (Eleanor) |
| 2. William   | 5. Robert            |
| 3. Israel    |                      |

(These are all listed as baptized children of John and Eleanor Pickens at the old Stone Church by Rev. John Craig.)

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| 6. Capt John | 7. William Gabriel |
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(The last two mentioned in pension application of Wm. Gabriel Pickens who was living in Livingston County, Ky. in 1833.)

This is a copy of the pension application, which proves the above relationship. "WILLIAM GABRIEL PICKENS, File S-1244, National Archives, Washington, February 3, 1833 . . . . . age 72 the 18th of October last. Applicant for pension while living in Livingston County, Kentucky. Born October 18, 1760. About 1775 he first entered service as a private in the District of Abbeville, and as a volunteer under Captain Robert Anderson

stationed himself at Fort Independence in Georgia against the Indians in 1777. In that year, General Williamson made a campaign into the Indian country and defeated them . . . "I was not in the campaign, having been left with others under CAPT. JOHN PICKENS, my BROTHER, to guard the Fort."

The applicant volunteered with many others about April, 1781, under Capt. Carruthers, Maj. Alexander Noble and Col. Robert Anderson and joined Gen. Greene during the siege of Ninety Six. "In the siege my brother-in-law, Capt. Joseph Pickens, was killed. On the retreat of Greene, most of the militia dispersed for a few days and reassembled about fifteen miles above Ninety Six and there joined GENERAL PICKENS, an own cousin of myself, we being brothers' children, with whom I was raised."

"Under General Pickens I served as a spy. I came to the determination of quitting the service for awhile as the support of an aged mother and a widowed sister (wife of Capt. Joseph Pickens) devolved upon me. I was dissuaded from this by Capt. Norwood whose company I joined October, 1781, and continued till April or May 1872. In consequence of over-exertion in my younger days, exposure, etc., I became blind at an early age and can scarcely distinguish any object."

Of the children of John and Eleanor Pickens Rev. Sharp has this to say:

1. ELIZABETH PICKENS born around Jan., 1741 in Augusta County, Va. Nothing more known.
2. WILLIAM PICKENS born Ca. March, 1742—nothing definite known—may have been in Livingston County, Ky. with descendents in Indiana and Illinois.
3. ISRAEL PICKENS born Ca. August, 1744. Moved to South Carolina.
4. ELEANOR PICKENS born Ca. November, 1746—married her first cousin, Capt. Joseph Pickens, son of Andrew and Anne Davis Pickens.
5. ROBERT PICKENS born Ca. April, 1749—thought to be the Robert who died in Fayette County, Tennessee.
6. JOHN PICKENS—date of birth unknown unless he is our JOHN PICKENS, born May 27, 1751, who, according to his brother William Gabriel Pickens, was a Captain in the Revolutionary War and at one time was in charge of a fort in Georgia during the Indian troubles.

Rev. Sharp has this to say concerning the proof of lineage in the application for a pension by WILLIAM GABRIEL PICKENS given above: "It is a key to all I claim on my Pickens lineage, and I think you will see it is a sort of key to many facts on Pickens history as well as Revolutionary history. In this you will be easily able to deduce that Eleanor Pickens was his sister, and Captain Joseph was his first cousin as well as his brother-in-law and that he was a first cousin of General Andrew Pickens and they were raised together. He couldn't have been son of anyone but old John Pickens and his wife Eleanor." It does seem positive proof for William Gabriel Pickens and for one Captain John Pickens.



## JOHN AND LETITIA HANNAH PICKENS

We have now come to the history and lineage of our pioneer ancestors, John and Letitia Hannah Pickens to whom this book is dedicated and for whom, with their descendents, the book was primarily written. The foregoing material of interest, fact and kinship has led into this very pertinent part of our record.

From Virginia and Carolina history of our Pickens kin and farther back to Pennsylvania and across the seas, our interest is now centered on early Tennessee connections and their sister states into which the many descendents of our progenitors have gone.

We consider first John and Letitia Hannah Pickens as to birth and ancestry, life in Virginia and Tennessee and then take up the history of their children, including first the four without lineage and then the other children who form in alphabetical order the eight lines of descent as given.

### BIRTH AND ANCESTRY

JOHN PICKENS, our pioneer ancestor, was born May 27, 1751. There is a conflict in tradition and fact as to the place of his birth. Tradition has it that he was born in Ireland, coming to America when a young man and that he left behind a widowed mother and sister. Also from Robert Pickens in the 1880 Census we have the record that his father was born in Ireland. There is always the chance of an error and often it was the grand-father instead of the father who was born across the seas.

The proof as already given in regard to Gabriel Pickens makes it certain that a John Pickens was his brother, hence a son of John and Eleanor Pickens. A genealogist, Miss Owen, Bristol, Va., sent this from Chalkley's Records of Augusta County, Virginia: "JOHN PICKENS from Bucks County, Pennsylvania came to Washington County, Virginia in 1745; left here in 1754 or 1755 and migrated to South Carolina. He had a son (1751-1835) who married Letitia Hannah (1767-1841.) She was the daughter of John Hannah. John Pickens Sr.'s wife was Eleanor." I don't see any way that this historian could have known the correct dates for both John and Letitia Pickens unless he had contacted a member of the family who could tell him or had gotten the dates from a printed record somewhere.

There is no desire to claim a false relationship for we know we are closely related to the Pickens people of the Carolinas and if this is not correct then there must be a similar relationship just as close in its kinship. The name Eleanor, might also have a bearing, since it is repeated in our line, but is not a positive clue.

John Pickens was Scotch-Irish and shares in the legends and facts already given of older Pickens people. Tradition has it that our Pickens clan came from Belfast, Ireland. In case you are interested in remote history, Dr. Bonham of Knoxville, says that we are descended from the tribe of Manasseh who lived in northern Ireland.

### LIFE IN VIRGINIA

After the marriage of John Pickens and Letitia Hannah about 1783, they lived in Virginia. I found a record on page 1300 of the Annals of Southwest Virginia which says: "Aaron Lewis by John Jamison, his attorney in fact to John Pickens for 160 pounds, 315 acres on the Middle Fork of Holston River." The date given was 1793, but apparently was an error for they sold the property in 1792.

According to the 1850 Census record of Knox County, Tennessee, their oldest daughter Sarah Pickens (McCammon) was born in Virginia December 11, 1784. The letter to Col. Stuart from John Pickens was written in 1786 from Holston, Virginia. (Vol. 11 P 194 Records of the County Court of Augusta County, Virginia.) In Will Book No. 1, page 194 in the Clerk's Office at Abingdon, Washington County, Virginia, there is a record of a "Power of Attorney" given to John Pickens and I quote:

"Know all men by these presents that I, William Collie of the County Pittsylvania and the State of Virginia do by these precepts, writing, constitute and appoint John Pickens of Washington County, for me and in my stead and room my lawful attorney to sell for and recover all my just debts due me in any of the Thirteen States of America and generally to do all my business as if myself was personally present and further to constitute attorney for him and his will to revoke as he my paid attorney may think proper and generally to do in all matters of Law as generally as I myself was personally present, and giving my paid attorney my full power in all matters touching the premises. See witness whereof I have set my hand and seal, this the 5th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of us—Signed—Michael Montgomery, Levi Jones, Arthur Bowen and Charles Bowen, and signed and sealed by William Collie."

At a court meeting for Washington County, Virginia on Nov. 10, 1789, "this power of attorney from William Collie to John Pickens was exhibited in court and proven by the oath of Michael Montgomery and Arthur Bowen, subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. Signed—Andrew Russell—D. C.—W. C."

In the Washington County Court records P. 1277 (Annals of Southwest Virginia), February 20, 1786, William Collie sold 152 acres of land on a branch of the Middle Fork of Holston River. This is evidently the same man above referred to and there appears to be a definite relationship between the Pickens or Hannahs and Collie (Collins) people as in a letter to Letitia Pickens Ford (later quoted), Elizabeth Collins signed her name as "your cousin."

On page 1299 of the Annals of Southwest Virginia we find that in 1792 John Pickens and wife Lettice Pickens, sold to James Todd 315 acres of land



located on a branch of the Middle Fork of Holston River. The consideration was for the sum of 210 pounds. The description of the land makes it the same as that bought earlier and the sale price shows an increase to the amount of fifty pounds. So from the dates above, we infer that John and Letitia Pickens lived in Washington County, Virginia from 1784 or before, until the year 1792.

### LIFE IN TENNESSEE

After selling their land in Virginia, John and Letitia Pickens turned toward Tennessee. John Pickens was first of all a farmer and stockman. He had horses and cattle and sheep and hogs and implements with which to cultivate the soil, as shown by his will. He sought grazing land for his animals, so settled on the waters of a creek. He must have loved mountains both for the timber thereon and for their beauty as compared to the monotony of the plains which many farmers dislike. Then, too, this was a frontier section, shortly opened up, and with kinsmen and friends he dared to put his future in this venture. Water was needed for men and animals and with also pasture fields and hills the location was to his liking and Nail's Creek became his home.

Here is a copy of the deed of their purchase of land in Blount County, Tennessee. "Know all men by these presents that Samuel Linsey of Blount County in the Teretory south of the Ohio heath bargned and sold unto John Pickens a certain tract or parcel of land leying and being in the above mensioned County on the waters of Neals (Nails) Creek, suposed to contain three hundred acres of land be the moor or less, for the considersion of one hundred and seven pound, the recet thereof I do hereby acknowledg. Sdland beginning at the foot of Bays Mountain, thene running along Andrew Richeys line, suposed to be near a south corner to John Keans line, thene along his line to John Finleys line thene to the mountain. Sd land I the above named Samuel Linsey maek over all my right claim and title of sd land unto the said Pickens, and do warrant and defend the same from me, my heairs or assins or aney other person leying aney just claim to sd land, unto the sd John Pickens his heairs ex'trs ad'mrs or assins allways, provided the sd Pickens shall pay such sums as the Congress or Assembly shall ley on pr hundred. For the true performanc hereof, I do bind me my heairs ex'trs, ad'mrs unto the sd John Pickens in the penal sune of two hundred and fourteen pound good & lawful money . . . . . dollars at six shillings. As witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this eight day of January, 1796. Test: John Kennedy and Nthanael Dunlap. Samuel Linsey name and seal." (Deed in the papers from Tom McMurry and do not know where found.)

John Pickens, Sr. made other land purchases in Blount County. He received a grant of land from the State in 1810. In a transfer of land from Robert Pickens to his brother Thomas Pickens, October 17, 1850, he speaks of one of the three tracts as being the "tract conveyed by the State to John Pickens, Sr., and containing by estimation 287 acres" and partly bounded by William McClurg's line—to a post at the foot of Bay's Mountain—also at the head of a small spring—to the "Lusy" Davice corner—to Nail's Creek—to a stake at Samuel McMurry's place. (P-106—Deed Book—J-Maryville).

William Williams sold land to John Pickens March 16, 1814. Both parties were of Blount County and the land contained 66 and three-fourths acres for the price of 140 dollars. There is this notation, "\$1.00 per acre and the interest that is due thereon and may thereafter accrue". The land was on Holston River; signed by William Williams, Francis Jones and Aaron Hackney. (P 332 Deed Book I Maryville). Mr. Parham said that this land was near Lowe's Ferry or Stoney Point or Farragut Ferry toward the lower part of Blount County. It was probably bought in connection with his daughter Jean Pickens Henderson who had married in 1810 and by inference lived in that region.

June 28, 1819, Joel Tucker sold " a tract of land I now live on containing 135 and one-half acres of land for \$525 cash." Land was on Nail's Creek, "from a white oak to foot of Bay's Mountain and bounded by James McClurg—sold to John Pickens of Blount County and James Kennedy of Knox County. The land was to be paid for by John Pickens 'as the State demands.' " (Deed Book 2, p 24—Registered August 7, 1819.)

Just where John Pickens and family lived between the dates of 1792 and 1796 is a matter of conjecture. That they lived here before the purchase of land in 1796 is proved by the fact that John Pickens was a juror in Blount County, 1795 as well as serving in the same capacity in 1796, 1807 and 1815.

From the records of Mr. Parham, John Pickens was surety for John Pickens, Jr., in 1817. Also that he was guardian for his grand-son, John Pickens Henderson, a minor. He is mentioned in various transactions of the Henderson estate from the years 1823-1826. He was executor in this same connection in land sales of September 20, 1823 and October 10, 1826. He remained guardian for his grandson until a few months prior to his death when he was succeeded by his son Robert Pickens.

In tradition he was a Revolutionary soldier with some rank, perhaps Captain. Part of the war records were burned or lost and no record has been found of any entrance into a patriotic organization through his service record, hence proof of his military career is lacking. A check by a genealogist at Washington, D. C., also failed to find his name in the War Records department and she suggested intensive search of the counties where he lived. Lists from Washington County, Virginia and nearby counties of the region do not include his name but they are fragmentary lists and not at all conclusive proof that he was not a Revolutionary soldier.

There is an interesting story about the buttons from a coat which descendents in more than one line say were from the coat of John Pickens. A coat described as a broadcloth coat was willed by John Pickens to his son John in his will of July 25, 1831. The son John was 43 years old at the time of the will and no record has been found of his marriage. If he died as a single man the natural inference is that he would intrust the coat to the keeping of a sister and it is through the descendents of two of his sisters that we have the story of the buttons. Jean Pickens, wife of Frank Henderson, had a son John Pickens Henderson and it seems that some buttons were given to him, for a son of his, Charles Joseph Henderson, now deceased,



but formerly of Cohutta, Georgia, wrote to me in a letter dated February 6, 1944, about further dispositions of the buttons. The mother of Charles Joseph Henderson and widow of John Pickens Henderson had four buttons which were to be given to the John in the family. "Mother had the buttons made into cuff links and gave them to my brother named John. Then after he died my sister gave them to my son John Owen and he has them now. The buttons as I remember were oval or a little bit oblong with an anchor on them."

A great grand-son of Mary Pickens Minnis, Dr. Lloyd Clay Bonham of Knoxville, Tennessee, recently told me that there were some buttons of the same description in his own family, and that they were from the coat of his old ancestor, John Pickens. He said the buttons were solid silver with an anchor carved on them. Evidently the coat which the oldest John possessed was one of some value or at least it was important enough to be an object of bequeathal. And the fact that it was first willed to a John makes it a plausible idea that the buttons given in turn to a John of the succeeding generations are the same ones originally fastened to the coat of the first John.

LETITIA HANNAH PICKENS was born in Virginia according to the 1880 Census record of her son Robert Pickens. From proof already given she was the daughter of John Hannah and from the John Pickens family Bible she was born October 15, 1767.

Nothing is known about the family life and characteristics of Letitia Hannah Pickens, but judging from fragments of stories about her children it is fair to assume that she was an exemplary mother. Certainly she had courage to leave the known region of her home in Virginia and come with her husband and five small children to a wilderness section to establish a new home.

Ability to manage, a sense of responsibility, a desire to be a good help-mate, an enthusiasm for living, contentment with simple things, capabilities of ingenuity and utilization of the things at hand must have been among the qualities of such a wife and mother. Added to these would be an intense love of home, country, and her Master. In retrospect we can visualize these and other fine qualities in Letitia Hannah Pickens. She must have been greatly revered by her descendents for into the second and third generations and even later, her name either as Letitia or Hannah or Letitia Hannah has been transferred to many of her progeny, as the record shows.

Together John and Letitia Hannah Pickens established a new home meeting the dangers and hardships of frontier life with the hardy spirit of those of the early days. Certainly this family had a vital connection with the neighborhood. Various references to the use of the Bible as a guide in daily living in the lives of their children, have been heard through the generations and we do feel that without question the old Pickens home had a Godly atmosphere.

The Bible was an object of bequeathal from John to his son Thomas, thus holding at least an esteem on par with the material things willed. Judging from the known faithfulness to Eusebia Church of descendents of John Pickens from days of old to the present time, we cannot but feel an assurance unto belief that John and his family joined others of their neighbors in devotion to and support of Eusebia Church.

Simple markers in the Eusebia Church Cemetery bearing these inscriptions mark the last resting places for John and Letitia Pickens. "Sacred to the memory of John Pickens who died May 2, 1835, aged 83 years 11 months and 6 days and "In memory of Lettes Pickens who died August 25, 1851 aged 73 years 10 months and 10 days." Descendents pausing there among the many other Pickens dead cannot help but feel a true regard for and a high sense of loyalty to these pioneers of the Pickens people of our history.

### THE WILL OF JOHN PICKENS, SR.

The following is the will of John Pickens, 1751-1835:  
State of Tennessee, Blount County.

I, John Pickens, being in health and sound in memory but calling to mind the immortality of my body do make this my last will and testament. First, I commend my soul to Almighty God, who gave it and my body to be laid in the grave, my worldly estate to be distributed as follows:

I allow all my just debts to be paid according to law. I allow my wife Lettes to have a reasonable maintainance of bread and meat out of the benefits of my land, during her remaining my widow. Also the kitchen furniture and bedding and the benefit of her choice of the cows and hoars creter (horse creature) to ride when necessary.

I leave and bequeath to my daughter, Sarah, one dollar, also to her son John McCammon one cow. Also to her daughters, Lettes and Susannah, each a heifer or yearling.

I leave to my daughter Jean's children—to her son William, one dollar and her son John a hoars (horse) or mair (mare) colt. Also to her daughters Lettes and Nancy each a heifer.

I leave to my son John a sorrel mair (mare)—the oldest sorrel.

I leave to my daughter, Margaret Finley, ten dollars in money.

I leave to my son, Samuel, a note of thirty-eight dollars of a note signed by him to me for a mair (mare) and cow.

I leave to my daughter Eleanor one cow.

I leave to my son Alexander one part of the land where he lives with my part of the saw mill (inus or irus).

I leave to my son Robert all the land with the improvements on the south side of the creek, belonging to the place I live on.

I leave to my son Thomas all the land on the north side of the same place with improvements. I also leave Thomas the black mare and sorrel filley with the one-half of the articles, the other half to Robert.

The articles are as follows—to wit. All the cows young and old except those above mentioned and all the sheep and hogs with the wagon and all the farming utensils, to be equally divided between Robert and Thomas, the land not to be sold until their Mother dies or marries. And she is to have her choice as to whom to live with—Alexander or Robert or Thomas. But the two she does live with to be equal parts supporting her.



# FAMILY RECORD.

## BIRTHS.

John Pickens senior  
His Book he was  
Born in the year of  
our Lord 1751 on the 29<sup>th</sup> May

His Wife Letitia was  
Born in the year 1767  
October 15

our Children  
Sarah was Born  
December the 11 1784

Fearn was Born on  
October the 30 1786

John was Born Dumber  
the 25 in the year 1788

Maney was Born  
November the 25 1790

Margret was Born  
September the 12 1792

James was Born September  
the 8 in year 1797

Samuel was Born in  
August the 12<sup>th</sup> 1799

## BIRTHS.

Fshel was Born  
October the 19 1801

Sloner was Born  
November the 28 1804

Alexander was Born  
October the 10 1807

Robert was Born  
February the 18 1810

Thomas was Born  
September the 26 1812

Haniel Jane Pickens  
was Born January the  
30<sup>th</sup> 1845

Record from the Bible of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens







# FAMILY RECORD.

## DEATHS.

John Pickens Died  
December 28 1817

James Died December  
28 1818

Isabel Died March  
9 1831

Hannah Pickens  
Died February the 4<sup>th</sup>  
1845 aged 5 years 6 months

Alexander Pickens  
Died the 24<sup>th</sup> August  
1844 aged 37  
years 10 months 14 days

## DEATHS.

John Pickens died  
May the 18<sup>th</sup> 1838

Letitia Pickens died  
August the 25<sup>th</sup> 1841

Thomas Pickens  
Died August 18 1865

Record from the Bible of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens







I leave to Robert the brown mare, my son John to have my broadcloth coat, Thomas the big Bible and cupboard at his Mother's death and Robert the chest of drawers.

I allow my son Thomas to have the full possession, use and benefit of the mensioned (mentioned) property and land. But not to be at liberty to dispose of it till he is of age.

I leave and bequeathe to daughter, Mary, one dollar.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged this 25th day of July, one thousand, eight hundred and thirty-one, by me.

JOHN PICKENS (Seal)

I do hereby constitute my son Robert to execute this my will.

Test: James Boyd  
Samuel Boyd

(Copied from the oldest Will Book—office of County Court Clerk—Blount County, Maryville, Tennessee.)

## CHILDREN OF JOHN AND LETITIA HANNAH PICKENS

(The following is taken from an old family Bible belonging to John Pickens).

John Pickens, Sinor                      His Book,

He was born in the year of our Lord 1751, on the 27th of May.

His wife, Lettes, was born in the year 1767, October 15.

Our Children,

- A Sarah, was born December the 11, 1784,
- B Jean, was born October 30, 1786,
- C John, was born December 25, in the year 1788,
- D Marey, was born November the 25, 1790,
- E Marget, was born September 12, 1792,
- F James, was born September the 8, 1797,
- G Samuel, was born August the 12, 1799,
- H Isbel, was born October the 19, 1801,
- I Eloner, was born November the 28, 1804,
- J Alexander, was born October the 10, 1807,
- K Robert, was born February the 1, 1810,
- L Thomas, was born September the 26, 1812.

## KEY TO THE LINEAGE

A B C D E F G H ETC. FOR THE CHILDREN OF JOHN AND LETITIA  
HANNAH PICKENS

I	II	III	IV	V	VI	"	"	"	grand-children
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	"	great-grand-children
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	"	great-great-grand-children
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)					"	great-great-great-grand-children
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)					"	great-great-great-great-grand-children
i	ii	iii	iv	v	vi	"	"	"	great-great-great-great-great-grand-children
a-	b-	c-	d-	e-	f-	"	"	"	great-great-great-great-great-great-grand-children

The four children without progeny are given below. The others with their lines of descent follow in order of their ages.

## JOHN PICKENS

C. JOHN PICKENS, third child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, was born December 25, 1788, presumably in Virginia. No record of him has been found since 1831 when he is mentioned in his father's will, in which he was given "his broadcloth coat and a sorrel mare." No mention is made of any land bequeathed to him. He was forty-three years old at this time. The inference is that he remained single and is buried at Eusebia and no marker.

## MARGARET PICKENS

E. MARGARET PICKENS, fifth child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, was born September 12, 1792, presumably in Virginia. She married James Finley, February 15, 1816. She was twenty-four years old at the time of her marriage and may have lived in the Ellijoy Section with others of the Finley name. She was 39 years old at the time of her father's will in which she was willed some money. No mention is made of any children of hers and other grandchildren were included in the will. I have found no further record of her.

## JAMES PICKENS

F. JAMES PICKENS, sixth child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, was born September 8, 1797 in Blount County, Tennessee. He died December 28, 1818 and is buried at Big Springs Presbyterian churchyard. Since he is buried away from the Eusebia neighborhood and died as a single young man, the inference is that he may have been visiting in the home of his sister Jean Pickens Henderson who had died the year before and was also buried at Big Springs.

## ISSABEL PICKENS

H. ISSABEL PICKENS, eighth child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, was born October 19, 1801 in Blount County, Tennessee. She died March 9, 1831, and is buried at Eusebia.



## SARAH PICKENS McCAMMON

A. SARAH PICKENS, oldest child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, was born December 11, 1784 in Virginia. (1850 Census record). She died in February, 1877 and is buried at the old Dunn burial place near Valley Grove Baptist Church, on the old Knoxville and Sevierville Highway. From "Tombstones in Tennessee," this old cemetery is located where there used to be a church called "Old Salem," which "seceded" from the Presbyterian.

Sarah Pickens married Thomas McCammon about 1805. He was born in Ireland June 12, 1768, died January 16, 1845, and is buried beside his wife.

Thomas McCammon and wife lived on the farm near Neubert's Springs. All their children were born and reared there. They had only four, but there were large families in the next generation and numerous descendents trace their lineage to Thomas and Sarah McCammon.

Little is know of the life of this couple. There were many acres of productive land: they lived the contented lives of farm people, raising stock and tending the land to the satisfaction of their hearts and compensation for their needs. It is conclusive from the lives of their descendents that the home had a religious atmosphere. Sarah McCammon is said to have been a neighborly person, aiding any in need. The children of Thomas and Sarah Pickens McCammon are:

I	John	b June	24, 1806
II	Samuel	b May	9, 1808
III	Letitia	b About	1818
IV	Susannah	b April	19, 1821

I. JOHN McCAMMON, oldest child of Thomas and Sarah Pickens McCammon, was born June 24, 1806 and died October 5, 1893 at his home not far from his birth place. He lived on a part of the Thomas McCammon estate and operated this farm. He is buried at the Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery in Knox County.

He married Margaret Spangler about 1839. She was born in North Carolina, from the 1850 Census Microfilm record. She died February 15, 1900 and is buried beside her husband. The record of this family was copied from the John McCammon Bible, then in the hands of T. E. McCammon of near the Neubert's section. The children of John and Margaret Spangler McCammon are:

a	Alexander	b July	18, 1840
b	Nancy Jane	b November	17, 1841
c	Thomas	b April	26, 1844
d	Samuel	b February	7, 1846
e	Julia Anne	b February	25, 1848
f	Sarah	b November	1, 1849
g	William	b February	1, 1852
h	John	b August	14, 1854
i	Solomon	b November	10, 1856

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| j James      | b June 22, 1859  |
| a Alexander  | d April 25, 1865 in Missouri during the Civil War in which he was a Union soldier. |
| b Nancy Jane | d November 7, 1912   |
| e Julia Anne | d June 2, 1873—Both sisters were single and are buried at Zion Cemetery.           |

c. THOMAS McCAMMON, third child of John and Margaret Spangler McCammon, was born April 26, 1844. He died at his farm home not far from Stock Creek Baptist Church, July 2, 1923. He is buried at Salem Methodist Church Cemetery in Knox County, Tennessee.

He married Catherine Laurretta Keyhill January 31, 1867, daughter of John and Nancy Tarwater Keyhill. She was born May 4, 1847, and died June 8, 1922. She is buried beside her husband.

Thomas McCammon was a veteran of the Civil War of the Union Army, 3rd. Tennessee Cavalry. Major McTeer said that Thomas McCammon was an orderly at Brigade Headquarters and on a scouting expedition near Florence, Alabama went near the enemy line; the horse became frightened and determined to go into the enemy line. Finally in a barrage of bullets, the horse turned and Major McTeer says, "McCammon stuck right with me, loading and shooting with all the speed he could command, and we came back to the infantry line."

Thomas McCammon was kindly, jovial and well liked by his soldier friends and all who knew him. He lived on the Martin Mill Pike, two miles from Stock Creek Church, on a farm not far from the place where he was born. The home had a Christian atmosphere and all were loyal in their support of the Salem Methodist Church. Their record is from a daughter, Mrs. James Houser. Their children were all born and reared at home and are:

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Julia Elizabeth   | b November 26, 1867 |
| 2 William Alexander | b November 29, 1870 |
| 3 Sadie Jane        | b June 27, 1878     |
| 4 James Albert      | b November 5, 1881  |

1. JULIA ELIZABETH McCAMMON, oldest child of Thomas and Catherine Keyhill McCammon, died January 5, 1901 and is buried at Salem. She married Jacob T. Maines, October 18, 1896, who died June 26, 1911 and is buried beside his wife. Their child is:

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| (a) Thomas Richard | b January 7, 1899 |
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(a). THOMAS R. MAINES married Catherine W. D. Dooley. He is employed as chief engineer at the Wilson-Weesner-Wilkinson Company. He is a deacon and Sunday School teacher at the Second Presbyterian Church, in which the family serves. Their child is:

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|--------------------|----------------|
| (1) Elizabeth Jean | b May 20, 1928 |
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(1). ELIZABETH MAINES, married Robert Mahlon Corlew, September 4, 1948, in the Second Presbyterian Church, Knoxville, Tennessee. Robert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert James Corlew, Nashville, Tenn. He served three years with the army in the European Theater in World War II. He



graduated from the Universtiy of Tennessee and while there was a member of Lambda Chi fraternity. He is a civilian personnel man with the Army Air Force. Elizabeth graduated from the University and was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority. The home is at Macon, Georgia and their child is:

1 Elizabeth Jean                      b January        3, 1951

2. WILLIAM ALEXANDER McCAMMON, second child of Thomas and Catherine Keyhill McCammon was single, employed at Knoxville, died June 13, 1895 and is buried at Salem. He was an exemplary young man.

3. SADIE McCAMMON, third child of Thomas and Catherine Keyhill McCammon, married James Lindsay Houser, April 8, 1919. He was the son of Lemuel and Mary Porter Houser who lived in adjoining houses to his wife's people on the Martin Mill pike.

J. L. Houser enlisted in the Infantry of the U. S. A. and served for twenty years and seven months. Nine years and five months of this time were spent in foreign lands. He served in the U. S., Cuba, the Philippines and China. He enlisted as a private and held all non-commissioned offices. In World War I he was commissioned a Captain, which rank he now holds on the retired list.

He has been on the board of Trustees of the Vestal M. E. Church for many years. He taught the men's Bible class for fourteen years and the ex-service men's class for three or four years. Sadie McCammon Houser has taught in the Sunday School for more than thirty years and is active in the Women's work.

The family lives at Vestal where their child was born and reared and is:

(a) Mary Catherine        b August        27, 1922

(a) MARY CATHERINE HOUSER graduated from High School and was active in the Vestal M. E. Church. She was Secretary-Treasurer at one time.

She married Dr. Charles William Jenkins, who is a dentist at Knoxville, Tennessee where the family live. Their children are:

(1) Charles William, Jr.    b July            24, 1941  
 (2) James Allison            b December    4, 1944  
 (3) Stanford Thomas        b March        31, 1945

4. JAMES ALBERT McCAMMON, fourth child of Thomas and Catherine Keyhill McCammon, died October 1, 1941 and is buried at Salem. He married Adah Geneva French October 8, 1907. There are no descendents. The obituary notice which appeared in a Knoxville paper at the time of the death of Rev. McCammon gives facts of his ministry and I quote. "The Rev. Albert McCammon, native of Knoxville and a former pastor of First Nazarene Church here, died suddenly about noon yesterday in Franklin, Tennessee. Mr. McCammon was graduated from Olivet College in Illinois.

"He was a minister of First Nazarene church in this City. He had also been pastor of churches in Chattanooga and Columbia, Tennessee and Frankfort, Kentucky." Mrs. McCammon lives at Vestal, Tenn., where she is Dist. President of the W. F. M. S. and a Sunday School teacher.

d. Samuel McCammon, fourth child of John and Margaret Spangler Mc-

Cammon, was born February 7, 1846, died July 20, 1904 and is buried at Zion Church. He married Malinda Rule, November 18, 1875. She was born January 14, 1853, died November 13, 1910 and is buried beside her husband. This family lived, according to a relative, at the edge of Blount County and in the region of Nail's Creek. I have only a bit of history about them which was given by a cousin and the children are:

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 Peggy—married a Davis | 5 Lettie—married Albert Houser |
| 2 Charlie               | 6 Harrison                     |
| 3 Alvin                 | 7 Josh                         |
| 4 Cowan                 |                                |

f. SARAH McCAMMON, sixth child of John and Margaret Spangler McCammon was born November 1, 1849 and was reared at the family home. She married Jordon Haynes October 16, 1889. She died November 20, 1895 and she and her husband are buried at Zion. There were no descendents.

g. WILLIAM McCAMMON, seventh child of John and Margaret Spangler McCammon was born February 1, 1852, died June 11, 1930 and is buried at the Valley Grove Baptist Church on the Knoxville and Sevierville Highway. He married Mary E. Sayne December 30, 1875. She was born in 1857 and died February 13, 1931. She is buried beside her husband. This record was given by a son T. E. McCammon. The children of William and Mary Sayne McCammon are:

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|-----------------|-----------|----------|
| 1 John          | b         |          |
| 2 Thomas Edward | b January | 26, 1887 |
| 3 Anja          | b         |          |
| 1 John          | d July    | 16, 1936 |

2. THOMAS E. McCAMMON married Mary E. Simpson June 28, 1916. She was born April 2, 1896. The home is not far from Valley Grove Church and T. E. is a mail carrier. Their children are:

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|----------------------|-------------|----------|
| (a) Dorothy Beatrice | b September | 17, 1917 |
| (b) Alvin A.         | b September | 14, 1921 |
| (c) Calvin C. twins  | b September | 14, 1921 |
| (c) Calvin C.        | d July      | 16, 1935 |

(a) DOROTHY BEATRICE McCAMMON married James W. Davenport October 19, 1923. He was born January 23, 1912. Their children are:

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|--------------------|-----------|----------|
| (1) James W.       | b October | 3, 1934  |
| (2) Dorothy Evelyn | b October | 31, 1937 |
| (3) Mary Lou       | b June    | 6, 1939  |
| (4) Lois Ann       | b June    | 25, 1941 |

(b) ALVIN A. McCAMMON married Dorothy Horner November 7, 1942.

3. Anja McCammon married Edwin Brooks and the home is at Burbank, Fla. Their child is:

- a. Edwin

h. JOHN McCAMMON, eighth child of John and Margaret Spangler McCammon, was born August 14, 1854, died May 2, 1935 and is buried at



Zion. He married Nancy Jane Tarwater March 19, 1891 who was born November 26, 1854, died March 22, 1926, and was the daughter of Lewis and Margaret Kirby Tarwater. Nancy Jane McCammon is buried beside her husband at Zion. The children of John and Nancy Jane Tarwater McCammon are:

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|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Houston Alexander | b December 31, 1891  |
| 2 John Lewis        | b January 24, 1894   |
| 3 Margaret Lillian  | b September 10, 1896 |
| 4 Sarah Rosena      | b March 17, 1898     |

1. HOUSTON ALEXANDER McCAMMON, oldest child of John and Jane Tarwater McCammon, graduated from High School, and is a farmer. He married Mary Katherine Mize October 15, 1915. She was born November 15, 1892. The family home is at Seymour, Tenn. All the family have high school educations and all are Baptists.

The children of Houston and Mary Katherine Mize McCammon are:

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|-------------|---------------------|
| (a) Ezalee  | b December 24, 1916 |
| (b) Sarah   | b November 28, 1920 |
| (c) Imogene | b August 14, 1923   |

(a). EZALEE McCAMMON married James Earl Hughes December 24, 1938. He is an employee of the Traffic Department of the Southern Railway Co., Knoxville, Tenn. Their children are:

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|---------------------|----------------------|
| (1) Linda Geraldine | b September 19, 1943 |
| (2) Delores Elaine  | b November 17, 1946  |

(b). SARAH McCAMMON married Lonnie E. Mackey May 7, 1944. He is a farmer-carpenter of the Seymour section. Their children are:

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|------------------|----------------------|
| (1) Sarah        | b November 20, 1920  |
| (2) Lonnie Wayne | b May 18, 1945       |
| (3) Rita Joyce   | b September 17, 1949 |

(c). IMOGENE McCAMMON is single and is employed as bookkeeper at the Sanford-Day Iron Works at Knoxville, Tennessee.

2. JOHN LEWIS McCAMMON, second child of John and Nancy Tarwater McCammon married Eunice Lewis November 11, 1932; she was born August 20, 1905. He graduated from high school and was in World War I. He is an inspector of the Knoxville Transit Lines. The family is Lutheran. There are no children. The home is at Holston Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee.

3. MARGARET LILLIAN McCAMMON, third child of John and Nancy Jane Tarwater McCammon, was born at the home of her parents in Knox County, Tennessee. She and her children are Lutherans. She is employed as Secretary in the Medical Division of the University of Tennessee. She married Robert Bellenger Guess February 19, 1921. He was born February 15, 1898. He is a Presbyterian. He operates the Bob Guess Variety Store at Knoxville, Tennessee. The family home is on Atchley Street, Knoxville, Tennessee.

The children of Robert and Lillian Guess are:

- (a) Joseph McCammon b Jan. 19, 1926
- (b) Robert Decherd b Oct. 14, 1931
- (c) James Earl b Dec. 7, 1934
- (b) Robert Decherd d Sept. 12, 1945.

(a). JOSEPH GUESS married Eleanor Louise Keeble Aug. 7, 1948. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Keeble of Knoxville, Tennessee. They were married at the home of her parents. Eleanor has a B.A. and an M.A. from the University. She was employed at the University at the time of her marriage as executive secretary in the Bureau of Public Administration. She is a Presbyterian. Her husband is also a graduate of the University of Tennessee and at that time was sports editor for the Morristown Sun. He served three and one-half years in World War II with the rank of Ensign in the navy. They are living at Nashville, Tennessee. Eleanor is Associate Planning Technician, State Planning Commission and Joseph, called Mac, is copy reader for the "Nashville Tennessean." There are no descendents. He has now (1951) been recalled to active duty in the Navy, as Air Defense Officer aboard the U. S. Dortch. He is classed as Lt. (j.g.)

4. SARAH ROSENA McCAMMON, fourth child of John and Nancy Jane Tarwater McCammon died August 2, 1922. She married Clifford White. There are no descendents.

i. SOLOMON McCAMMON, ninth child of John and Margaret Spangler McCammon was born Nov. 10, 1856 at the home of his parents in the Neubert Springs section of Knox County. He died Feb. 15, 1921 and is buried at Zion Lutheran Cemetery. He was a farmer and lived near Zion Church in Knox County. He married Clara C. Keyhill Sept. 21, 1880. She died Feb. 10, 1885 and is buried beside her husband. They had a child:

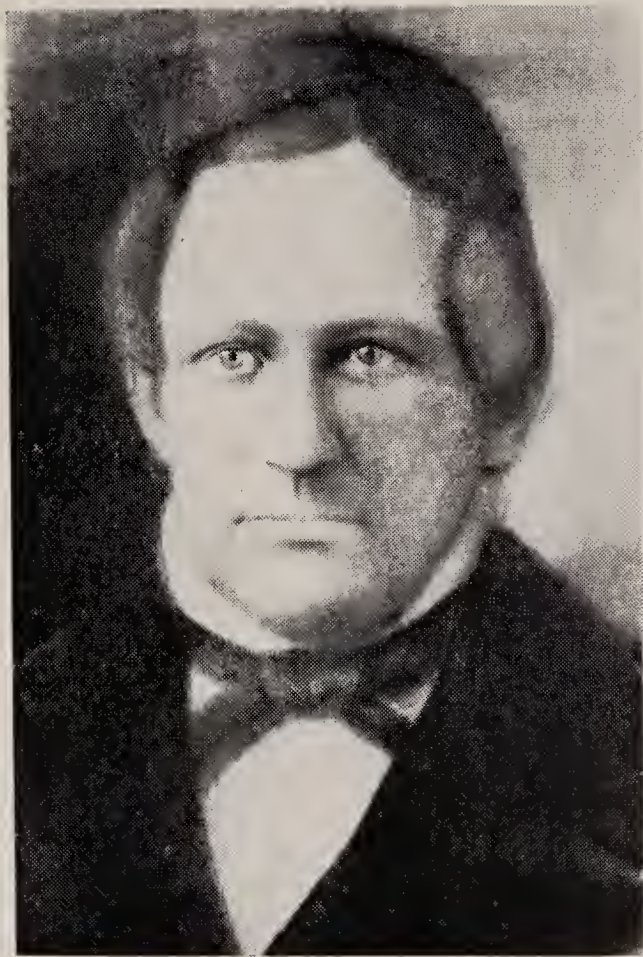
- 1. Ella Lucretia b Jan. 17, 1882  
d Sept. 23, 1928

Solomon married a second time, Martha McMurry. She was born March 17, 1865 and was the daughter of the late Boyd and Margaret McCammon McMurry. She lived at the home place near Zion and was a member of this church. She died Dec. 15, 1950 at the age of eighty-five years. She is buried at Zion. She and her husband had a child 2 who was born and died the same day.

j. JAMES McCAMMON, tenth and youngest child of John and Margaret Spangler McCammon was born June 22, 1859, died July 12, 1938, and is buried at Woodlawn Cemetery near Knoxville. He married Elvira Isbell, daughter of Nelson Isbell, Dec. 13, 1883. She was born March 30, 1866, and died March 16, 1951. She is buried beside her husband. The home was in Knox County in the Salem Community and the family were affiliated with the Salem Methodist Church. Their record was obtained from the family Bible at the home of Martin McCammon of the same community. The children of James and Elvira Isbell McCammon are:

- 1 Ellen Frances b October 10, 1884
- 2 Susie Stella b March 22, 1886
- 3 Margaret Jane b March 27, 1888
- 4 Callie Elizabeth b December 29, 1890





Son of Thomas and Sarah Pickens McCammon and grandson of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens.

Samuel McCammon Sr.



Left to Right — Samuel McCammon, Jr., Thomas H. McCammon, Martha Caroline McCammon; standing — Mary N. McCammon (French), Cynthia C. McCammon (McCall), Jane McCammon (French) children of Samuel and Martha McCammon.





5 Martin Lee	b February	25, 1893
6 Walter Alexander	b February	25, 1896
7 Julia Ann	b August	27, 1899
8 Neoma Ruth	b August	10, 1903

1. ELLEN F. McCAMMON married George L. French June 2, 1915. He was a farmer and lived in Knox County, Tennessee. He is deceased. The family is connected with Salem Methodist Church. Their children are:

(a) Elvira Emaline	b September	24, 1920
(b) Clinton	b February	20, 1922
(c) Isabella	b November	27, 1924

2. SUSIE S. McCAMMON married Lester M. French April 4, 1920. His first wife was a Goddard and they had children named — Earl, Vernon and Mildred. The present family is connected with the Stock Creek Baptist Church. The child of Lester M. (deceased) and Susie McCammon French is:

(a) Laurretta	b October	1921
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3. MARGARET JANE McCAMMON married O. E. Cunningham at the home of her parents, Dec. 30, 1914. He is the son of Perry and Katherine Flanagin Cunningham. They live at the McCammon home place and are members of Salem Church. Their children are:

(a) James Oscar	b June	8, 1916
(b) Perry Edward	b April	30, 1918

(a) JAMES CUNNINGHAM was born in Blount County, Tennessee. He married Elizabeth Anderson Dec. 18, 1940. Their child is:

(1) James Oscar Jr.	b June	9, 1944
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(b). PERRY EDWARD CUNNINGHAM was born in Knox County, Tennessee. He was a graduate of Young High School and of the University of Tennessee. (1941). He belonged to the 94th Division in World War II and was Staff Sergeant. He was killed in action in Germany, Feb. 26, 1945. The body was returned to the United States and burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery. He was a member of Salem Methodist Church. He married Rosa Lee Reed of Knoxville.

4. CALLIE E. McCAMMON married W. B. Hammontree March 18, 1933. He is deceased. Callie Hammontree runs a tailor shop. There are no descendents.

5. MARTIN L. McCAMMON is a farmer and lives near the McCammon homestead. He is a steward in the Salem Church where his wife is also a member. He married Mary Berry at her home on June 18, 1925. She was born Aug. 21, 1898 and is the daughter of the late John and Catherine Cartwright Berry of the Mt. Olive community. There are no descendents.

6. WALTER A. McCAMMON is a farmer and lives near his brother. He married Agnes Sayne June 6, 1927. The family belong to Stock Creek Baptist Church. Their children are:

(a) Dorothy Louise	b May	4, 1928
(b) James Theodore	b November	9, 1933

7. JULIA McCAMMON married Elmer French Nov. 19, 1916. He is deceased. He was a farmer and builder. The home is in Knox County, Tennessee and the church affiliation is with the Salem Methodist Church. Their children are:

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|-------------------|----------------------|
| (a) Gladys Murlee | b January 30, 1918   |
| (b) Elvira Elda   | b September 18, 1919 |
| (c) Mary Odella   | b March 9, 1921      |
| (d) Jamie Ruth    |                      |
| (a) E. T. Jr.     |                      |
| (f) Wanda Sue     |                      |
| (g) Betty         |                      |
| (h) Lilly         | twins                |

8. RUTH McCAMMON married C. D. Hageman Dec. 24, 1922. He is an electrician at the Alcoa plant and the home is in Knox County, Tennessee. They are members of the Vestal Methodist church. Their children are:

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|-------------------|--------------|
| (a) Clara Lasetta | (c) Gene     |
| (b) C. D. Jr.     | (d) Vira Lou |

II. SAMUEL McCAMMON, second child of Thomas and Sarah Pickens McCammon was born May 9, 1808 at the home of his parents in the Neubert Springs locality, Knox County, Tennessee. He died April 1, 1865 at Nashville, Tennessee, and is buried at the Dunn Cemetery.

He married Martha Boyd Cowan Jan. 6, 1831, thus making her the niece as well as the sister of Mrs. Samuel and Mrs. Alexander Pickens. Martha Boyd Cowan was born and reared at Boyds Creek, Sevier County, Tennessee. The date of her birth is Nov. 5, 1813. She died Nov. 4, 1876 and is buried beside her husband.

Samuel McCammon was a farmer on a portion of his father's farm in The Neubert Springs community and his home was near the home of his birth. Part of his children were born here and part at Knoxville. He was Sheriff of Knox County from 1838-1850. At that time as was customary, the family home was at the jail, where some of the children were evidently born. A son of one of the children spoke of hearing his father tell about playing in the jail yard.

Samuel McCammon was a member of the Tennessee Legislature at the time of his death. The seat in the Legislature was for Knox and Sevier Counties inclusive. The record of this family was copied from the Samuel McCammon Bible in the hands of William C. McCall, now deceased, at Greenback, Tennessee. You will note in this family list that the names of Mary, Thomas and Samuel, first given to infants who died, were later bestowed upon other of their children.

The children of Samuel and Martha Boyd Cowan McCammon are:

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|-----------------|---------------------|
| a Mary          | b December 5, 1831  |
| b Thomas        | b June 4, 1833      |
| c Sarah Jane    | b March 20, 1835    |
| d William Cowan | b January 5, 1837   |
| e Samuel H.     | b December 10, 1839 |



f	Oliver Pinkney	b	October	9, 1840
g	Mary Neoma	b	December	9, 1842
h	Thomas H.	b	November	27, 1844
i	Samuel Alexander	b	May	3, 1847
j	Martha Caroline	b	May	27, 1849
k	Cynthia Clementine	b	February	27, 1853
a	Mary	d	December	5, 1831
b	Thomas	d	March	14, 1841
e	Samuel H.	d	December	1840
j	Martha Caroline	d	December	11, 1922

c. SARAH JANE McCAMMON, third child of Samuel and Martha Boyd Cowan McCammon was born in Knox County, March 20, 1835. She married Caleb B. French Aug. 28, 1855. The home was at Kingston, Tennessee, where this couple lived, died and are buried. I have fragmentary information of this family which was given by French Kittrell at Maryville. He is a grandson of Caleb French and gave his mother's and his own record for the history. The children of Caleb and Sarah Jane McCammon French are:

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|-------------------|-----------|
| 1 Mack or S. M.   | 4 Clemmie |
| 2 Will or W. M.   | 5 Belle   |
| 3 Oliver or O. M. |           |

1. MACK FRENCH lived at Kingston and was Cashier of the Bank and Trust Co. there. He married Ella DeArmond of Kingston, Tennessee. He had a son Oliver, who lived at Harriman, Tennessee.

2. WILL FRENCH was Secretary and Treasurer of the Chavannes Lumber Co., and a stockholder in it. He married (1) Lida Pope who was raised in Kingston and is buried there. He married (2) Nola Smitherman from Chattanooga. She is buried at Lynnhurst at Knoxville.

3. OLIVER FRENCH was in the insurance business in Knoxville. He and a Mr. Roberts built the first office building in Knoxville. It was on the corner of Gay and Depot Streets, across from the old Atkin Hotel. It was known for years as the French-Roberts Building. A daughter of Oliver French married Dr. Whittaker, Episcopalian Minister of Knoxville for many years. She has been dead for some years.

4. CLEMMIE FRENCH married Welcher Hope and lived in Knoxville, Tennessee.

5. BELLE FRENCH, daughter of Caleb and Sarah Jane McCammon French, was born in Knox County, Tennessee, Aug. 13, 1856. She died April 23, 1915 at Maryville, Tennessee and is buried at Magnolia Cemetery. She married Robert Kittrell. He was born Dec. 10, 1840, died April 20, 1905, and is buried beside his wife. He was a resident of Kingston a long while where he was president of the Bank and Trust Co. there. Belle French Kittrell was a dress-maker and after the death of her husband supported herself and family by sewing for townspeople and for the Maryville College students. The children of Robert and Belle French Kittrell are:

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|---------------------|---|-------|----------|
| (a) Jennie Florence | b | April | 27, 1879 |
| (b) Oliver Pleasant | b | July  | 3, 1881  |

(c) Nancy Agnes (Nannie)	b March	19, 1885
(d) Clemmie Ethel	b November	16, 1887
(e) Willie Belle	b August	23, 1890
(f) Robert French	b April	15, 1895
(g) Sarah Louise	b June	13, 1897
(a) Jennie Florence	d November	12, 1939
(b) Oliver Pleasant	d July	3, 1881
(c) Nancy Agnes (Nannie)	d March	18, 1949
(d) Clemmie Ethel	d December	17, 1906
(e) Willie Belle	d April	28, 1902

(f.) ROBERT FRENCH KITTRELL was born at Athens, Tennessee. He was educated at Maryville, attending Maryville College. He has served as a Justice of the Peace and as Coroner. He has been employed at the Alcoa Company and for several years has been a Pawn Broker. He married Ruth Allison Dec. 25, 1916 at Kingston, Tennessee. She was from Rhea County and was born Nov. 7, 1892. She is the daughter of Charles P. and Tenny Eblin Allison of Kingston. The home is in Maryville, Tennessee, where they enter into the activities of the town in church and various enterprises. The child of French and Ruth Allison Kittrell is:

(1) Sarah Faye                      b March                      3, 1918

(1) SARAH FAYE KITTRELL was reared in Maryville, Tennessee. She graduated from Maryville College and has an M.A. from Peabody at Nashville, Tennessee, where she majored in Latin. She studied Conversation Spanish for two years at Mexico City, Mexico. She married Howard Schwam Dec. 27, 1947, in the First Methodist Church of Maryville. He is from Cordova, Tennessee. He received his M.A. Degree from Peabody. He is now Spanish teacher at Maryville College. The home is in Maryville where Sara Faye teaches in the city schools.

(g.) SARAH LOUISE KITTRELL was born at Athens, Tennessee. She lived in Maryville where she attended the schools there. She married (1) Matthew Walter Hardin Sept. 25, 1919 at Maryville, Tennessee. He died Dec. 25, 1922. Their children are:

(1) Evelyn French              b December              4, 1920  
 (2) M. W. Jr.                      b February              18, 1923

(1). EVELYN HARDIN married Ben Delozier. The home is in Norfolk, Va., where he is employed in a Carrier Co., for new Fords.

(2). M. W. HARDIN, Jr., works in a Restaurant Co., in Norfolk, Va. He married Polly Stiles.

Sarah L. Kittrell married (2) John C. Gallimore. They also live in Norfolk and Mr. Gallimore is engaged in Structural manufacture. Their child is:

(1) Sarah Frances              b February              23, 1936

d. WILLIAM COWAN McCAMMON, fourth child of Samuel and Martha Boyd Cowan McCammon, was born Jan. 5, 1837 and was reared at the home of his parents in the Neubert Springs region. He died Nov. 9, 1900 at Neuberts, Tennessee. He is buried in the private McCammon burial place



on top of a hill on the farm of his father and grandfather McCammon before him. This spot was selected by William Cowan and he was the first one buried there. Since then several members of the family have chosen this spot as a final resting place and it is known as the McCammon Cemetery.

He married (1) Eliza Minerva Huffaker Dec. 7, 1858 who was born Dec. 23, 1835 and died Jan. 30, 1875. She is buried at Salem Church Cemetery. He married (2) Joan E. Randles Dec. 6, 1876. She was the daughter of John Randles. She died June 23, 1916 and is buried beside her husband.

William Cowan McCammon was born and his children were born and reared on a part of the farm which had belonged to his father Samuel and grandfather Thomas McCammon. From the record of Samuel H. McCammon in Maryville and other gleanings I find that William C. taught school for two years and then returned to full-time farming. He was a Federal soldier from 1862-1864. At first a private in Co. B 3rd Tennessee Cavalry he was commissioned a 2nd Lt. of Co. G by Andrew Johnson. He was assigned to recruiting duties during the war. He resigned in 1864 on account of ill health and returned to his farm in the 21st District of Knox County, Tennessee.

He was appointed Deputy Sheriff of Knox County from 1867-1868. He resigned but was again appointed under Swan in 1874 and served one term. He was nominated for Representative by the Democrats in the Fall of 1876 but declined.

The children of William C. and (1) Eliza Huffaker McCammon are:

1 Laura Adelia	b September	22, 1859
2 Henry	b December	22, 1861
3 Samuel, Dr.	b January	30, 1863
4 Mary Cowan	b May	3, 1868
5 Marguerite Jane	b March	25, 1871
6 Martha Adaline	b April	11, 1873
7 Eliza Ella	b June	14, 1875
1 Laura Adelia	d December	22, 1861

2. HENRY McCAMMON, second child of William C. and Eliza Huffaker McCammon was born Dec. 22, 1861 and was reared at the home of his parents and died on his farm in the Neubert Community. He died in July, 1943 and is buried at the McCammon Cemetery. He married Letitia Davis who was a daughter of William Harmon Davis of Knox County. Their children are:

- (a) Eliza Victoria
- (b) William Howard
- (c) Anderson Blount
- (d) Cora
- (e) Clementine
- (f) Letha
- (g) Houston
- (h) Mary
- (i) Edith Lynn
- (i) Edith Lynn                      d October                      11, 1950

(a). ELIZA McCAMMON married John Yarberry and lives at Seymour,

Tenn. They have children named (1) Agnes, (2) Ruby and (3) Manuel. Agnes married Walter McCammon, and their children are: i Jimmy and ii Dorothy who married Joe Collins. This information and the record of the brothers and sisters to follow was obtained from Mrs. Harold Henderson and from an obituary notice of Edith Lynn McCammon.

(b). WILLIAM HOWARD McCAMMON, second child of Henry and Letitia Davis McCammon was born in 1890. He married Trula Reynold and they live at Knoxville Their children are:

- (1) William Howard, Jr.
- (2) Curtis Paul, Dr.
- (3) Mildred Ailene

(1). WILLIAM HOWARD McCAMMON married Anna Lawrence.

(2). MILDRED AILENE McCAMMON married Joe Garner. Their child is:

- i Michael

(c). ANDERSON BLOUNT McCAMMON married Edna Cooper. Their children are:

- (1) Cowan
- (2) Thelma Rachel

(d). CORA McCAMMON married Claude Byers. Their children are:

- |               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| (1) Jane      | (4) Henry |
| (2) Wayne     | (5) Kaye  |
| (3) Betty Ann | (6) Carol |

(1). JANE BYERS married a Lincoln and their children are:

- i Karen
- ii son

(e). CLEMENTINE McCAMMON married Lloyd Luttrell and the home is at Jacksonville, Florida.

(f). LETHA McCAMMON married William Kennedy and her address is Phoenix, Arizona.

(g) HOUSTON McCAMMON is married.

(h). MARY McCAMMON married William Kroskey and is living at Council Grove, Kansas. Their child is:

- (1) Anna Dora

3. SAMUEL (DR.) McCAMMON, third child of William C. and Eliza Huffaker McCammon was born Jan. 30, 1863 and was reared at the home of his parents in Knox County, Tennessee. He died Aug. 25, 1912 and is buried in the McCammon Cemetery. He married Sophronia Ott, Nov. 1, 1889. She was born Dec. 2, 1870 and is the daughter of Charles and May Wolf Ott. Charles Ott was born in Baten-Baten, Germany. He married in Tennessee and the home was in the section of Wildwood Springs, Blount County, Tennessee. Sophronia Ott McCammon died May 24, 1945 and is buried beside her husband. Samuel



became a doctor and lived on a farm near Neubert Springs. He practiced in that locality. The children of the family were all born at the home on the farm and are:

(a) Infant	b June	1890
(b) Karl Darwin	b May	23, 1891
(c) Nellie	b November	6, 1892
(d) Clementine	b April	22, 1894
(e) Bessie	b February	15, 1896
(f) Edger	b May	12, 1898
(g) Naomi	b August	30, 1899
(a) Infant	d June	1890 (premature birth)
(e) Bessie	d March	4, 1934
(f) Edger	d October	3, 1898
(g) Naomi	d May	30, 1920

The infant and Bessie are buried at Zion Cemetery. Edger is buried at Logan's Chapel and Naomi at the McCammon Cemetery. Bessie and Naomi were single.

(b). KARL DARWIN McCAMMON, second child of Dr. Samuel and Sophronia Ott McCammon, married Mary Hilton and they live on the farm and land on which he was born. Their children are:

(1) Sam	b May	3, 1923
(2) Lincoln	b March	2, 1925
(3) William	b April	3, 1927
(4) Hilton	b January	11, 1930
(5) Mirrell	b June	9, 1932
(6) Lucy Bell	b February	22, 1935
(7) Bennie	b July	1, 1937
(8) Elizabeth Ann	b October	22, 1942
(8) Elizabeth Ann	d October	22, 1942

(1). SAM McCAMMON married Willie Earl Childress and owns and operates the home place where he was born.

(2) LINCOLN McCAMMON married a Miss Davis and works in Detroit, Michigan.

(3) WILLIAM McCAMMON married Barbara Howard, lives near Neubert Springs and works at a Florist Shop.

(4) HILTON McCAMMON is single and works in Detroit, Michigan.

(5) MIRRELL McCAMMON lives at home and is a secretary at St. Mary's Hospital, Knoxville.

(c). NELLIE McCAMMON, third child of Dr. Samuel and Eliza Huffaker McCammon was born and reared at the home in the Neubert section. She married (I) Downey McCulloch Nov. 25, 1910, in Knox County, Tennessee. Their marriage was dissolved. Their child was born in Roseburg, Oregon and is:

(1) Lucille Kerr	b November	10, 1911
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(1). LUCILLE McCULLOCH married (1) Albert S. Gallagher Oct. 25, 1927. This marriage was dissolved. The children of Albert and Lucille McCulloch Gallagher are:

i Albert Sterchi	b January	20, 1929
ii James Egbert	b March	15, 1930
iii Paul U.	b May	5, 1931
iv Raymond Eugene	b April	16, 1932

All four of the above boys are in the Air Corp. Recently they were featured in newspapers showing their pictures made at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Officers and non-coms at the base manage to identify them only by designating them Gallagher 1, 2, 3 and 4. They are awaiting reassignment to Keesler Air Force base, Biloxi, Mississippi.

Lucille married (2) G. C. Looney Aug. 4, 1939. Their home is on the Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville.

Nellie McCammon married (2) Egbert N. Stallings March 6, 1917, in Knox County, Tennessee. He was a master sergeant in the Army and for 23 years was a recruiting officer at Knoxville. He is now retired and they have a home in Cocoa, Florida. They visit their children here and it was in South Knoxville that I met Nellie Stallings and found out that the Gallagher boys were her grandchildren. The Stallings children were all born in Knoxville and are:

(1) Bessie Eunice	b January	8, 1918
(2) Thelma Naomi	b January	1, 1921
(3) Wilda Blanche	b July	12, 1927

(1). BESSIE EUNICE STALLINGS married James H. Capps April 29, 1939. They adopted a daughter Claudette, who was born June 3, 1946. The family home is at Knoxville. They have a child:

i James Horace, Jr.	b August	23, 1947
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(2) THELMA NAOMI STALLINGS married Thomas C. Burns March 2, 1940. They live in Knoxville. They have an adopted child who was born November 22, 1949.

(3) WILDA BLANCHE STALLINGS married Wallace V. Neal March 11, 1945. He is First Lieutenant in the Air Corps in San Antonio, Texas and has recently returned from several years service in Japan. Their child born in Knoxville is:

i Vickie Suzzane	b September	28, 1946
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(d) CLEMENTINE McCAMMON, fourth child of Dr. Samuel and Sophronia Ott McCammon was born and reared at the home in the Neubert Springs locality. She married Floyd E. Cruze June 9, 1916. Their children all live in or near Knoxville, except Union J. who lives in Arizona. They are:

(1) Ophelia Cecile	b May	18, 1918
(2) Dewey Elwood	b January	26, 1920
(3) Union Jerome	b November	30, 1921
(4) Floyd Ellis	b April	28, 1925
(5) Grover Douglas	b December	25, 1934
(2) Dewey Elwood	d April	24, 1930



4. MARY COWAN McCAMMON, fourth child of William C. and Eliza Huffaker McCammon was born May 1, 1868. She was reared at the home of her parents in Knox County, Tennessee. She died March 26, 1939 and is buried at the Salem Methodist Church Cemetery. She married Andrew Johnson Winkle. He was born March 1, 1862 at Greeneville, Tennessee, died Oct. 20, 1936 and is buried beside his wife. He was a Mason and in an obituary notice he is mentioned as a Knoxville attorney.

The church affiliation of this couple was with the Zion Lutheran Church. The family lived on the Pickens Gap Highway, in the Neubert section and their children were born and reared on this farm. The children are:

(a) Lola May	b June	24, 1889
(b) Troy McCammon	b January	8, 1892
(c) Susan Ellen	b March	18, 1895
(d) Nancy Morrison	b May	14, 1897
(e) William Cowan	b August	27, 1899
(f) Frederick Samuel	b May	30, 1901
(g) Eliza Joanna	b September	30, 1902

(a). LOLA MAY WINKLE, oldest child of Andrew and Mary McCammon Winkle, taught in the public schools of Knox County for some years. She married Napoleon Osborne Goddard July 29, 1909. He was born Jan. 28, 1888 in Knox County, Tennessee. He is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. B. (Burney) Goddard of the Stock Creek Community and a grandson of Andrew Goddard. He was employed for some years in Akron, Ohio but he and his wife are now at Knoxville, Tennessee where they are engaged in an enterprise of their own. He is a Mason and he and his wife are members of the First Methodist Church of Maryville, Tennessee. Their children are:

(1) McCammon Lee	b August	1, 1910
(2) Trent Winkle	b May	23, 1908

(1) McCAMMON L. GODDARD was educated at the University at Akron, Ohio. He is a Mason. During World War II he was a Lieutenant in the Navy Armored Guard. He married Evelyn Fisher. They live in Akron, Ohio and belong to the First Methodist Church there. Their child is:

i Stephen Lee	b November	30, 1950
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(2). TRENT WINKLE GODDARD was educated at the University at Akron, Ohio. He is a Mason and Shriner. He was in the Navy in World War II and was an English Instructor at the Naval base at Norfolk, Va. He married Marian Pluzer who was born May 29, 1909. The home is in Akron, Ohio and they are members of the First Methodist Church. Their children are:

i Peter Winkle	b June	8, 1939
ii Charles Pluzer	b July	23, 1941
iii Mary Lucinda	b April	2, 1947

(b). TROY WINKLE, second child of Andrew and Mary McCammon Winkle, was born and reared at the Winkle homestead. He is a Mason and a Shriner. He married Julia Tutton. She was born Oct., 1903. Their children are:

(1) Helen	b June	8, 1939
(2) Joan	b August	28, 1927

- (2) JOAN WINKLE married a Richards, Their child is  
i Ann b 1947

(d). NANCY WINKLE, fourth child of Andrew and Mary McCammon Winkle, was reared at the family homestead. She attended the public schools of Knox County, Tennessee and is now employed as a saleslady at Selma, Ala. She sent the record of her family. She married H. Graham Snead Feb. 19, 1917. He was born May 24, 1890. His father was Charles Earl Snead, born March 1, 1857, Bibb County, Alabama. His mother was Mary Elizabeth Ambercrombie Snead and was born April 14, 1857. Mr. Snead was reared on a farm and is a farmer, living near Selma, Alabama. He was educated in the Public Schools of Bibb County and at Lincoln Memorial University, Tennessee. Their children are:

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|-----|--------------------|---|----------|----------|
| (1) | Elizabeth Cowan    | b | January  | 23, 1918 |
| (2) | Graham Andrew      | b | February | 13, 1920 |
| (3) | Rachel             | b | December | 24, 1922 |
| (4) | William Carson     | b | June     | 10, 1925 |
| (5) | Mary Esther        | b | November | 8, 1931  |
| (6) | Judson Abercrombie | b | February | 2, 1934  |

(2). GRAHAM ANDREW SNEAD was born at St. Louis, Mo. He attended school at Knoxville, Tenn., and Birmingham, Alabama. He served in the Army in World War II. He married Jessie Elaine Allen April 6, 1940. She was from Birmingham where the family lives and where the children were born. Graham is a city fireman. Their children are:

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|----|----------------|---|----------|-----|------|
| i  | Victoria       | b | November | 28, | 1941 |
| ii | Mildred Elaine | b | August   | 5,  | 1944 |

(4). WILLIAM CARSON SNEAD was born at Knoxville, Tennessee, where he attended school as well as at Birmingham, Alabama. He served in



the Navy in World War II with the rank of Electrician's Mate 1st Class. He married Lorraine Rogers in 1947. She was from Blue Mound, Kansas. The home is at Kansas City, Mo. William C. is a cement contractor. Their children are:

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|------------------------|-----------|---------|
| i Nancy Marie          | b April   | 6, 1948 |
| ii William Carson, Jr. | b January | 2, 1950 |

(5). MARY ESTHER SNEAD was born at Knoxville, Tenn. She graduated from the Albert G. Parrish High School at Selma, Alabama. She is secretary for the Selma Pride Coffee Company of Selma, Alabama.

(6) JUDSON SNEAD is a third year student at the Dallas County High School and is enrolled in the University extension course of the University of Alabama.

(e) WILLIAM COWAN WINKLE, fifth child of Andrew and Mary McCammon Winkle, was reared at the family homestead. He married (1) Reta Young. Their child is:

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|------------------------|---|------|
| (1) William Cowan, Jr. | b | 1925 |
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(1). WILLIAM C. WINKLE, JR., attended the University of California. He married Ruth Ingrid Nelinson. She is a nurse.

William Cowan Winkle married (2), Irene Murphy. The home is in Louisiana and their children are:

- (2) Patsy Ruth
- (3) Jerry
- (4) Jack

(f). FREDERICK SAMUEL WINKLE, sixth child of Andrew and Mary McCammon Winkle, was reared at the family home in the Neubert section. He married Rose Eggers. They live on Route 10 out of Knoxville. Their children are:

- (1) Lucile
- (2) Frederick S. Jr.
- (3) Ralph Eggers

(1) LUCILE WINKLE married J. Orel Davis. They belong to the Zion Lutheran Church. Their children are:

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|------------------|---------------------|
| i Carolyn Faye   | iii Frederick Lee   |
| ii James O., Jr. | iv Marian Elizabeth |

(2). FREDERICK S. WINKLE, JR., married Velma Ogle. He and his wife belong to the Sevier Heights Baptist Church. He is now at Carson-Newman College preparing for the ministry.

(g). ELIZA JOAN WINKLE, seventh child of Andrew and Mary McCammon Winkle is a graduate nurse from Fort Sanders Hospital. She belongs to the Zion Lutheran Church.

5. MARGUERITE JANE McCAMMON, fifth child of William C. and Eliza Huffaker McCammon, was born 1871. She married John Cruze. The

home is in Knoxville and the children, all of whom are married are:

- (a) Nell
- (b) Florence — dead
- (c) Fred

6. MARTHA ADALINE McCAMMON, sixth child of William C. and Eliza Jane Huffaker McCammon, was born April 11, 1873. She married James H. Cruze Nov. 12, 1895 of Knox County, Tennessee. The ceremony was performed by Esquire French. Mr. Cruze was born April 9, 1866, died June 29, 1948 and is buried at Zion Church Cemetery. He was the son of Leonidas and Susie (Spangler) Cruze. Mrs. Cruze resides at the home on Spangler Road not far from Shooks Station or Post Office which has recently been changed to Knoxville R. D. No. 16. The following record was from the Bible in her home and the children of James Harvey and Martha A. McCammon Cruze are:

(a ) Lovie Lee	b September	6, 1897
(b ) Katie Cowan	b May	8, 1899
(c ) Eliza Jane	b January	11, 1901
(d ) Edna Marguerite	b November	6, 1902
(e ) Mack Millard	b August	11, 1904
(f ) Carl Cleophas	b March	7, 1906
(g ) Jesse Eugene	b October	10, 1908
(h ) James Harvey, Jr.	b March	9, 1910
(i ) William Wallace	b September	25, 1911
(j ) Martin Shaeffer	b March	3, 1913
(k ) Melvin Earnest	b December	1, 1914
(l ) Helen Julia	b May	14, 1916
(m) Glen Wayne	b April	17, 1918
(k ) Melvin Earnest	d July	2, 1915
(l ) Helen Julia	d September	10, 1916

Two other children died as infants and a brief record of the rest is as given:

(a). LOVIE LEE CRUZE married Joe Neubert. They live near Neubert's and have several children.

(b). KATIE CRUZE married Conard Spangler and they live near Neuberts on Spangler road. Their children are: Pauline, Violet, Euphrasia, Grace and a son, Buddy who is in service in the army and is stationed in Germany.

(c). ELIZA JANE CRUZE married Charles Fleenor. She died Oct. 26, 1932 and is buried at Zion. The home was at Kingsport and there were several children.

(d). EDNA CRUZE remained single, died July 24, 1929 and is buried at Zion. She had been employed at the Kingsport Press.

(e). MACK CRUZE married Dora Justice. He works at Alcoa and the home is near Neuberts. They have a child Christine.

(f). CARL CRUZE married Margaret Goff and lives near Mt. Olive Church. He works at Alcoa and they have three boys, Arnold, James and John.



(g). JESSE CRUZE married Ola Sayne. He works at Woodlawn Cemetery and the home is on Cruze Lane road, Knoxville, Tenn. R. D. 10.

(h). JAMES H. CRUZE, Jr., married Edith Michaels. The home is on the Chapman Highway. Their children are: Jeanette and Phillip. James H. Cruze died May 7, 1951.

(i) WILLIAM CRUZE married Elizabeth Ford. He works at Fulton Machine Shop, and the home is on Ford Lane near Seymour. They have children, Billy and Edward.

(j) MARTIN CRUZE married Juanita Spangler. He works at the Baptist Hospital. The home is near Neubert Station and they have a son, Raymond.

(m). GLEN CRUZE married Beulah Valentine April 5, 1949, who was born August 31, 1930. Their child is Brenda Gail, born March 10, 1950.

7. ELIZA ELLA McCAMMON, seventh child of William C. and Eliza Huffaker McCammon, makes her home with the Winkle family near Neuberts.

The children of William C. and Joan E. Randles McCammon, of the second marriage are:

8 William Carroll	b September	24, 1877
9 James Randles	b June	20, 1879
10 Euphrasia	b August	28, 1890

8. WILLIAM C. McCAMMON, eighth child of William C., and first child of his wife Joan Randles McCammon, was born, reared and lived as a farmer at the place of his birth, at the old McCammon homestead of his parents. He remained single. His church was that of the Baptist. He died May 9, 1945 and is buried at the McCammon Cemetery.

9. JAMES R. McCAMMON, ninth child of William C. and second of Joan Randles McCammon, was born and lived most of his life at the home and on the farm of his ancestors. He died at his home at Vestal, Tennessee, October 11, 1948. He is buried at the McCammon Cemetery. He was a Mason of the Rockford Lodge. He married Pearl Elizabeth McCroskey (Clark) April 20, 1941. She was born in Sevier County Nov. 3, 1887, and died at Neuberts April 27, 1935. She is buried beside her husband at the McCammon Cemetery. Her first husband was John Clark, who died. She had two daughters by this marriage. They are Agnes (Mrs. Fred Neubert) and Johnie (Mrs. Herman Neubert).

The child of James R. and Pearl McCammon is:

(a) Joanna Elizabeth    b April            10, 1927

(a). JOANNA McCAMMON was born and reared at the home of her father. Her mother died when she was a small child and she was the special care of her Aunt Euphrasia McCammon who lived in the same home. She attended U.T. and Carson-Newman College. She married Harold Alpheus Henderson June 5, 1947 at the First Baptist Church at Knoxville, Tennessee. Harold was born May 6, 1924 at Lawrenceburg, Tennessee and is the son of T. P. and Vesta Stout Henderson. He graduated from the University of Tennessee with B.S. and M.S. degrees. He has been offered a fellowship in the University of

Illinois to work on his Ph.D. degree. He plans to accept unless hindered by the war situation. He is now Research Assistant at the University of Tennessee. During World War II he was a Lieutenant in the Marine Corps for two years. He fought in the battle of Iwo Jima and did occupation duty in China. He and his family reside in Vestal and are members of the First Baptist Church at Knoxville, Tennessee. Their child is:

(1) James Harold            b June            18, 1948

10. EUPHRASIA McCAMMON, tenth child of William C., and third child of his second wife, Joan Randles McCammon. was born August 28, 1890 at the home of her parents. She was reared and lived most of her life at this home. After the death of her mother she made a home for a single brother, another brother and his daughter and herself. Aside from this she graduated from the State Teachers College at Johnson City, with a B.S. Degree. She taught in the Knox County and Knoxville City schools for a period of thirty-five years. At the last school she had taught for fifteen years. She resigned only a few months before her death September 21, 1950. She died at Vestal where of late years she had made her home and was buried in the McCammon cemetery. She was a member of the Stock Creek Baptist Church and of the Bright Hope Chapter of the Eastern Star. She was a woman of firm character and striking personality and was much loved and admired by the hundreds who knew her.

f. OLIVER PINKNEY McCAMMON, sixth child of Samuel and Martha Boyd Cowan was born Oct. 9, 1840. He was reared in the Neubert locality of Knox County, Tenn. He died Feb. 16, 1897 and is buried at Clover Hill Church Cemetery in Blount County, Tennessee. He married Ann E. McCall July 18, 1865. She was born Oct. 9, 1834 and died Feb. 28, 1905. She is buried beside her husband.

Oliver Pinkney, called Pink or O. P., was a Captain in the 3rd Tenn. Cavalry of Federal soldiers in the Civil War. More about him and other Civil War soldiers of the Pickens record will be given at the front of the book.

A letter was written by O. P. McCammon during the period of the Civil War to his brother Thomas Houston McCammon. The letter was sent from Headquarters Co. L., 3rd Tennessee Cavalry, Decatur, Alabama, and was dated Aug. 14, 1864. In it he said that Alexander and Thomas McCammon, Samuel, William and S. W. Pickens and A. P. Rambo "are knocking along on an average very well." The letter not only reassured relatives of the well-being of their kin but it was beautifully written and well expressed.

He was Tax Assessor of Blount County and a Representative from there in 1876.

He was a farmer and lived near Clover Hill Presbyterian Church in Blount County. Here the children were born and the family active in the work of the Clover Hill Church.

The children of O. P. and Ann McCall McCammon were all born in Blount County and are:

1 Oliver Houston	b March	10, 1869
2 William C., Dr.	b August	20, 1871



3 Mary Ann	b April	17, 1874
4 Harriet Frances Clementine	b September	13, 1876

1. OLIVER HOUSTON McCAMMON, oldest child of O.P. and Ann McCall McCammon was born in Blount County, Tennessee, March 10, 1869. He died at Vonore, Tenn., May 14, 1943, and he is buried at Clover Hill Cemetery. He came from Knox County, Tenn., and bought land near Clover Hill Church; lived here for some years and bought land at Vonore, Tennessee. He married Martha I. McKeehan Oct. 29, 1896. She is the daughter of Brewer and Ann Thompson McKeehan of Blount County. She lives on the farm at Vonore now operated by her sons. The record of this family was sent by Mrs. McCammon. The children of O. Houston and Martha McKeehan McCammon are:

(a) Twin boys	b and died in infancy	
(b) Oliver Pinkney	b September	11, 1899
(c) Francis	b January	10, 1906
(d) Calvin	b February	21, 1911

(b). OLIVER PINKNEY McCAMMON, second child of Houston and Martha McKeehan, was born and reared at the home in Blount County. He married Mildred Irion Dec. 31, 1930 in California. He is employed by the Ford Motor Co.; the home is in California and there are no descendents.

(c) FRANCIS McCAMMON, third child of Houston and Martha McKeehan McCammon was reared at the home in Blount County. He lives with his mother in the home at Vonore in Monroe County and helps in the operation of the farm originally purchased by his father. He married Grace Goddard April 24, 1928. She is the daughter of Oscar Goddard. Their children are:

(1) Joyce	b September	2, 1932
(2) Lois	b October	12, 1934
(3) Marilyn	b September	4, 1938
(4) Jean	b October	4, 1940
(2) Lois	d March	4, 1938

(d). CALVIN McCAMMON, fourth child of Houston and Martha McKeehan McCammon was reared in the home in Blount County. He owns the home place at Vonore and aided by his brother operates the farm. He lives nearby on a place of his own purchase. He married Mildred French Nov. 21, 1934. She was from Knox County, at the Blount line on Roddy's Branch and the daughter of Lester French, deceased. They have an adopted child.

2. WILLIAM CLINTON McCAMMON, Dr., second child of O. P. and Ann McCall McCammon, was born and reared in Blount County, Tennessee. He was born Aug. 30, 1871 and died June 3, 1943 at Knoxville, Tennessee. He is buried at Lynnhurst Cemetery. In the obituary notice of him we find that "he received his medical education at the former Knoxville Medical College. He established his office in this city. He had been a practicing physician in Knoxville for 43 years. He was a member of the Park City Presbyterian Church and active in religious work for years."

He married Pearl Dodson Nov. 20, 1900. She was born May 15, 1872 and was reared near Athens, Tennessee. She sent their family record and continued

to reside at the family home until her death Thanksgiving day, Nov. 23, 1950. From her obituary we find that "she was known throughout the area as a flower and nature lover. Her yearly flower entries in the Tennessee Valley Fair won her many blue ribbons. For years she was an active member of the Knoxville Flower Lovers Club." She was an active member of the Park City Presbyterian Church. She is buried beside her husband.

The children of Dr. William C. and Pearl Dodson McCammon are:

(a) Anna Louise	b November	23, 1901
(b) William Clinton, Jr.	b January	5, 1903
(c) John Sullins	b March	29, 1906
(d) Theodore	b October	7, 1907
(e) Frank	b April	27, 1910
(c) John Sullins	d May	28, 1906
(e) Frank	d January	2, 1914

(a). ANNA LOUISE McCAMMON, oldest child of Dr. William C. and Pearl Dodson McCammon, is single and lives at home.

(b). WILLIAM CLINTON McCAMMON, Jr., second child of Dr. William C. and Pearl Dodson McCammon, was born in Knoxville. He was graduated from the University of Tennessee as an electrical engineer. He later attended the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, where he studied Landscape Architecture for two years. He was secretary of Knox County Planning Commission. In 1944 he was at Kingsport, Tennessee in War Defense work. He is now at Knoxville, Tennessee and is employed as a Knox County Planning Engineer at Knoxville Tennessee.

He married Eleanor Williams Aug. 19, 1935. The home is at Knoxville and they have an adopted daughter, Carolyn McCammon.

THEODORE McCAMMON, fourth child of Dr. William C. and Pearl Dodson McCammon was born in Knoxville, Tennessee. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee. In 1944 he was an Accountant with the T.V.A. in Chattanooga. He is now with the finance division of the T.V.A. at Knoxville, Tennessee. He married Jessie Williams Aug. 29, 1931. The home is at Knoxville. There are no descendents.

3. MARY ANN McCAMMON, third child of O. P. and Ann McCall McCammon, was born in Blount County April 17, 1874. She married Ephriam Perry Lee Dec. 28, 1905. He is the son of Jonathan and Sarah Crye Lee, deceased. He lives at Big Springs, about nine miles south of Maryville, in Blount County, Tennessee. The Lee homestead is on the farm bought by Jonathan Lee from a Henderson. The family are members and supporters of the Big Springs Presbyterian Church. The children of E. Perry and Mary Ann McCammon Lee were born and reared at the ancestral place of their father and grandfather before him. They are:

(a) Chester Perry	b April	7, 1907
(b) Oliver Verne	b April	4, 1909
(c) Karola Neville	b December	10, 1911
(d) Thelma Bernice	b November	3, 1920
(e) Mary Frances	b November	3, 1920





Eusebia Church 1951

(Courtesy of Miss Pollyanna Creekmore, Lawson-McGhee Library, Knoxville, Tennessee.)



The Robert Pickens homestead in 1951. This home purchased by Robert Pickens in 1848 is a land mark of the Eusebia section. Under the exterior framework are brick walls of an even earlier day. Now owned by grandchildren.







(a). CHESTER PERRY LEE, married Irmalee Allen, June 4, 1932. He is supervisor of the Bell Telephone Company at Athens, Tennessee, where they live. Their child is:

(1) Mary Jane                      b March                      26, 1933

(1). MARY JANE LEE married Robert Wolfender in May, 1951.

(b). OLIVER VERNE LEE, married Hazel Kizer in 1946. They live on the farm at the home place. Their child is:

(1) David Wayne                      b October                      20, 1946

(c). KAROLA NEVILLE LEE, had one year at Maryville College and graduated from East Tennessee State Teachers College. She teaches at Friendsville not far from home and lives at the family home.

(d). THELMA BERNICE LEE, had one year at Maryville College and lacked only six months of finishing at the State Teachers College. She teaches at Friendsville and lives at home.

(e). MARY FRANCES LEE, married John Bruce Rogers. She is a registered nurse. Her husband is with the T.V.A. at Nashville, Tennessee. The home is at Camden. There are no descendents.

4. HARRIET FRANCES CLEMENTINE McCAMMON, fourth child of O. P. and Ann McCall McCammon, was born and reared in Blount County. She married Fred Davis, Sept. 13, 1907. After his death she returned to the home of her sister, Mrs. Lee, where she died Dec. 22, 1940. She is buried at Erwin, Tennessee, her former home.

g. MARY NEOMA McCAMMON, seventh child of Samuel and Martha Boyd Cowan, was born and reared in Knox County. She was born Dec. 9, 1842, married Jacob D. French, and they moved to Kansas. Their children are said to be: Will, Sam, Bart, Art, Jennie, Mat and Della. Mary McCammon French died Dec. 11, 1901, two weeks after returning from a trip to Tennessee.

h. THOMAS HOUSTON McCAMMON, eighth child of Samuel and Martha Boyd Cowan, was born and reared in Knox County. He was born Nov. 27, 1844, died June 4, 1906 at his home near Eusebia Church, in Blount County. He is buried at Eusebia. He taught writing schools. I have seen samples of his writing and they are fine examples of expert penmanship. He was tax assessor of Blount County and highly commended for the way he kept his books.

He married Cynthia H. Houser Oct. 25, 1876. She was born Sept. 28, 1844 and died Feb. 27, 1933. She is buried beside her husband. The McCammon family were faithful members and supporters of the Eusebia Church. They lived on a farm in the Eusebia section and their children were all born and reared in this locality. The children are:

1 Frances Jeannette	b December	8, 1878
2 Samuel Houston	b December	22, 1880
3 John Oliver	b July	6, 1883
4 Thomas Cowan	b April	28, 1886
2 Samuel Houston	d May	27, 1912

1. FRANCES JEANETTE McCAMMON, oldest child of Thomas Houston and Cynthia Houser McCammon, was born and reared at the homestead

of her father. She married Oliver J. Ingle Oct. 15, 1921. He was born Dec. 11, 1879 and died Aug. 7, 1941. He was a dairyman on Nail's Creek not very far from the McCammon home. Jeannette married Dr. R. J. Ingle some months ago and lives at Sevierville where the family are active members of and officers in the Presbyterian Church there. I am indebted to Jeannette not only for her family history but for the answers to other questions about kinship among the relatives.

3. JOHN OLIVER McCAMMON, third child of Thomas Houston and Cynthia Houser McCammon, was reared at the home of his parents. He remained at this homeplace as a farmer. He and his family were faithful members of the Eusebia Church. He was an elder there for many years until his untimely death from an accident. He died June 30, 1930 and is buried at Eusebia. He married Sophia Davis, Oct. 27, 1912. She was born Oct. 27, 1889, died April 5, 1943. She is buried beside her husband. The children of J. Oliver and Sophia Davis McCammon were all born at the old McCammon home place of their grandfather and father and are:

(a) Dorotha Verna	b August	24, 1913
(b) Samuel Lester	b May	21, 1915
(c) William Edwin	b June	26, 1916
(d) Oliver Kenneth	b November	30, 1923
(e) James Robert	b July	18, 1925
(e) James Robert	d December	1925

(a). DOROTHA VERNA McCAMMON, married Samuel Edward Stafford April 26, 1936. He is employed at the Alcoa plant and the family home is about four miles east of Maryville and toward Eusebia where the family are members and attendants at that church. Their children are:

(1) Max Lyn	b June	30, 1937
(2) Edwin Donn	b June	13, 1938
(3) John Leon	b June	27, 1940
(4) Charles Rex	b January	3, 1942
(1) Max Lyn	d June	30, 1937

(b) SAMUEL LESTER McCAMMON, is single and lives on the old homeplace with his brother, Kenneth.

(c). WILLIAM EDWIN McCAMMON, lives in the Eusebia section. He is employed running trucks loaded with milk from the surrounding area to the market at Knoxville. He married Grace Geneva Lindsay, June 26, 1916. The family are faithful members of the Eusebia Presbyterian Church. The child of Edwin and Grace Lindsay McCammon is:

(1) Edwin Eugene	b September	14, 1938
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(d). OLIVER KENNETH McCAMMON, married Stella Rodgers, June 5, 1945. They live at the old home place and operate a dairy farm. They are members of the Eusebia Church and Kenneth is superintendent of the Sunday School and a deacon in the church. They have one child:

John Stevens	b June	2, 1948
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4. THOMAS COWAN McCAMMON, the fourth child of Thomas Houston and Cynthia Houser McCammon was reared at the old McCammon



home near Eusebia. He married Wilma Blevins, Aug. 18, 1918. She was born March 4, 1899, and is the daughter of John M., and Josie Clark Blevins. Not long after their marriage they lived at Alnwick, near Maryville. Here they operated a flour mill. Then they moved to East Maryville near the Brown School where for several years they operated another flour mill. A few years ago they purchased a farm about two miles south of Maryville where they operate a dairy. Cowan McCammon has been Tax Assessor in Blount County. He is an elder in the Eusebia Presbyterian Church in which the family are faithful workers. They drive the ten mile distance from Maryville to give allegiance to the church of their early attendance. Their children are:

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| (a) Grace Marie    | b July    | 10, 1919 |
| (b) Harold Clayton | b October | 11, 1922 |

(a). GRACE McCAMMON was born at the home place of her McCammon ancestors, near Eusebia. She is an expert mathematician and received an A.B. degree from Maryville College in Mathematics. She also was awarded an M.A. degree from the University of Tennessee in Mathematics. She has been employed for some years in the Physics Department of The National Laboratories at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

(b). HAROLD McCAMMON was born at Alnwick. He completed his high school education at Everett High, near Maryville. He married Dorothy Jean McClanahan June 5, 1948. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. McClanahan of Wildwood, near Maryville. Harold is in business with his father and resides near his father's home.

i. SAMUEL ALEXANDER McCAMMON, ninth child of Samuel and Martha Boyd Cowan, was born in Knox County, May 3, 1847. He died at Maryville, Tennessee, June 13, 1919, and is buried at Baker's Creek, Blount County. He married Adeline Goddard Oct. 30, 1873. She was born Sept. 9, 1851, died Dec. 25, 1884. She is buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of Andrew Goddard, born Jan. 10, 1825 and who died March 4, 1901, and Mary Boyd Goddard, born Jan. 30, 1828 and died July 3, 1891.

Samuel McCammon was reared in Knox County near Neubert Springs. He moved to Blount County after 1864, according to some records of Mr. Parham, who said that his father, W. T. Parham sold in 1865 the farm that Samuel McCammon bought and lived on for many years. This farm was near Baker's Creek in Blount County, now owned by Mrs. R. M. (Tobe) McReynolds and children. All of the McCammon children of this family were born on this farm. It was the custom of all of them to worship at the Baker's Creek Church and Samuel McCammon was an elder in that church for many years. In his later life he lived in Maryville, where he operated a grocery store. He married second, Issabel Wilson March 14, 1888. She was born Jan. 8, 1859, died June 9, 1922 and is buried at Baker's Creek. The children of Samuel Alexander and Adeline Goddard McCammon are:

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| 1 James Oliver    | b February | 9, 1875  |
| 2 Mary Cowan      | b November | 17, 1877 |
| 3 Lillie Florence | b February | 28, 1879 |
| 4 Arthur Roll     | b November | 13, 1880 |
| 5 Sarah Adaline   | b December | 7, 1882  |

1. JAMES OLIVER McCAMMON, oldest child of Samuel and Adaline Goddard McCammon, was reared in Blount County. He died at Maryville, Tenn. July 13, 1949 and is buried at Magnolia Cemetery. He married Nena Lee Tipton, Aug. 22, 1901. She was born June 14, 1881 and is the daughter of C. T. and Eva Montgomery Tipton of Loudon County. She lives in Maryville, where the McCammon home has been for some years. The family of James McCammon were supporters of the Baker's Creek Church and he was a deacon there for many years. He was also Trustee of Blount County for some years toward the latter period of his life. The children of James and Nena Tipton McCammon are:

(a) James Otto	b August	23, 1902
(b) Horace Cowan	b June	23, 1907
(c) Quince Tipton	b June	18, 1910

(a). J. OTTO McCAMMON was reared in Blount County. He graduated from high school and finished a business course at Knoxville. He married Glen Cruze of Concord, Tennessee. They live at Morristown, Tennessee. Their child is:

(1) Nancy Jane	b February	23, 1941
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(b). HORACE McCAMMON was reared in Blount County, and graduated from high school. He is the owner and operator of the McCammon Motor and Equipment Co., on the new Niles Ferry Highway and also owns the McCammon Tire Co., in Maryville. He married Annie Yoder of Knox County, Tennessee. She is the daughter of Dan and Alice Calloway Yoder, who is a sister of State Senator, Hugh Calloway, of Knoxville. The family are members and supporters of New Providence Presbyterian Church at Maryville. There is one child:

(1) Horace Robert	b November	18, 1935
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(c). QUINCE McCAMMON was reared in Blount County. He graduated from Hiwassee College, Tennessee. He is connected with the McCammon Motor and Equipment Company. He married Elizabeth Tefft March 31, 1937. She was from Memphis, Tenn. They are connected with the New Providence Church of Maryville. Their child is:

(1) Barba Jane	b February	17, 1938
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2. MARY COWAN McCAMMON, second child of Samuel and Adaline Goddard McCammon, was born and reared at the Blount County home. She was born Nov. 17, 1877 and is living in Maryville, Tennessee. She was very helpful with information of her family. She married William Andrew Dunlap, Jan. 31, 1899. He was the son of Henry and a Miss Rose Dunlap of Friendsville, Tennessee. He was born March 27, 1867 and died at Maryville, Tenn. Nov. 8, 1932. He is buried at Magnolia Cemetery. He was a Trustee of Blount County and Postmaster at the Maryville Post Office. He was Marshall in charge of Revenue for the Eastern District of Tennessee, with offices at Knoxville, Tenn. He became U. S. Marshall for the district of Tennessee, with headquarters at Nashville, where the family resided for four years.

Previous to his departure for duties at Nashville, he was a guest of honor at a banquet at the Colonial Hotel at Knoxville. The courtesy was shown by the deputies of the Knoxville office and other friends. At this time he was



presented with a handsome ring. The family home was at Maryville where all the children were born. The church affiliation was with the First Methodist.

The children of W. A. and Mary McCammon Dunlap are:

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| (a) William Oliver | b June   | 17, 1901 |
| (b) Lillian Lucile | b March  | 3, 1903  |
| (c) Mary Frances   | b August | 17, 1915 |

(a). WILLIAM OLIVER DUNLAP married Pearl Wrigfield. They live on a farm a few miles below Maryville.

(b). LILLIAN LUCILE DUNLAP, graduated from the University of Chattanooga. She makes her home at Jacksonville, Florida and is employed at the Carlstedt Wholesale Florist shop.

(c). MARY FRANCES DUNLAP graduated from Maryville College in 1941, where she was a Sponsor of the Freshman Class, May Queen, Member of the Student Council; she graduated in Dramatics. She married Stanley Bernard Shields April 30, 1939, in a church wedding at the First Methodist Church at Maryville. Stanley was born Aug. 10, 1916 at Walland, Tennessee. He is the son of James F. and Frankie Hatcher Shields. At the time of his marriage he was in Winchester, N. H. He attended the U. S. Naval Academy and Maryville College. He graduated from the University of Tennessee. At one time the Shields family carried on a novel and profitable business in Maryville in making toys from sheep skin. He is now employed at the City Drug Co. He is a Sunday School teacher and a member of the Official Board of the First Methodist Church which all the family support. Their children are:

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| (1) Karen   | b June | 17, 1945 |
| (2) Stephen | b May  | 9, 1949  |

3. LILLIE FLORENCE McCAMMON, third child of Samuel and Adaline Goddard McCammon was born and reared in Blount County. She was born February 28, 1879, died Dec. 5, 1935. She is buried at the Big Springs Cemetery. She married Sidney Walker Sept. 4, 1902. He was born in 1873 and died June 11, 1936. He was a leading farmer of the Big Springs section where their children were born and reared. The family were faithful members of the Big Springs Presbyterian Church. The children of Sidney and Lillie F. McCammon Walker are:

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| (a) Helen Louise  | b September | 30, 1910 |
| (b) Robert Sidney | b July      | 1, 1916  |

(a). HELEN LOUISE WALKER completed High School work, had two years at Maryville College and taught one year in the public schools of Blount County. She married Joseph Walter Peters Oct. 18, 1932. He was born Aug. 15, 1904 and is the son of C. O. and Florence Henry Peters of the Baker's Creek Community. He is employed at the Alcoa Plant. He is an elder of the Big Springs Presbyterian church where all the family are active members. The home is on the Niles Ferry Highway about three miles from Maryville. Their children are:

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| (1) Robert Joseph | b April     | 16, 1937 |
| (2) Kent Thomas   | b September | 1, 1943  |

(b). ROBERT SIDNEY WALKER, finished High School. He married

Wilma Jean Patterson Feb. 12, 1938. He was employed at the Aluminum Co., at Alcoa. He was killed in an automobile accident Jan. 14, 1943. His widow lives in the Big Springs Section. They had one child:

Robert Patterson                      b March                      7, 1943

4. ARTHUR ROLLO (ROLL) McCAMMON, fourth child of Samuel and Adaline Goddard McCammon, was born in Blount County, Nov. 13, 1880. He died April 9, 1943, and is buried at Grand View Cemetery, Maryville. He was reared in the country, coming to Maryville when his family moved to town. He always maintained an interest in farming, owning and operating a large river farm out from Maryville, on the Sevierville Highway. He had moved to this farm some years before his death and had renovated a beautiful old residence there for his home.

He was connected with the Hardware Store of Crawford, Caldwell and McCammon for many years. He was Mayor of Maryville and a leading citizen of the town and county. He married Susie Pamela Browning Nov. 8, 1916. She is the daughter of Rev. John Worth Browning, Methodist Minister, and his wife Susan Wheeler Browning. The family have been for many years active supporters and workers in the Broadway Methodist Church at Maryville. Mrs. McCammon is now making her home at Maryville.

The children of Roll and Susie Browning McCammon are:

(a) A. R., Jr.	b October	21, 1917
(b) Susan Jean	b October	22, 1919
(c) Mary Nell	b October	19, 1921

(a). A. R. McCAMMON, JR., was born and reared at Maryville. He lacked a small amount of work in the completion of his degree at the University of Tennessee. He was in the army for a period of time, released at the time of his father's death to take over the large farm which he still operates and where the family live. He is a leader in Civic activities and in farm activities and clubs of the county. He is a member of the Board of Stewards of the Broadway Methodist Church, which his family also support.

He married Marjorie Mae Elgin June 19, 1941. She is the daughter of L. S. and Nancy Young Elgin, of Knoxville, Tennessee. She graduated from the University of Tennessee in 1942. While there she belonged to Chi Omega Sorority, was in the Beauty section, Band Sponsor, Barn Warming Queen, and Campus Representative at the Rose Bowl in California when the University played there. She is active in the social and literary clubs of the town. The children of A. R. and Marjorie Elgin McCammon are:

(1) Pamela	b August	7, 1944
(2) A. R. , III	b May	29, 1947
(3) Mary Nell	b May	13, 1951

(b). SUSAN JEAN McCAMMON was born and reared at Maryville. She graduated from Maryville College in 1941. While there she was May Day attendant, Band Sponsor, class secretary and member of the Student Council. She married Ernest Koella, Jr., Feb. 11, 1942 in a ceremony at the Broadway Methodist Church at Maryville. Ernest was born Feb. 18, 1918 and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Koella, Sr., of Rockford, Tennessee. He graduated



from the North Carolina State College at Raleigh. He was in the Army in World War II for more than three years. He was stationed at Fort Knox, Ky., as an instructor. He is a Captain in the Reserves. He is connected with the Rockford Manufacturing Co., an enterprise long operated by his father and members of his family. The family are active workers in the New Providence Presbyterian Church at Maryville. The home at Rockford is a beautifully remodeled and furnished home. Their oldest child was born at Knoxville, Tennessee and the second one at Louisville, Ky. Their names are:

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| i Susan Karol  | b April    | 10, 1943 |
| ii Ernest, III | b November | 27, 1944 |

(c). MARY NELL McCAMMON was living in Maryville at the time of her untimely death Dec. 30, 1935. She was injured in a snow skating party, from which injuries she never recovered. She was a very popular and likable girl and her loss was greatly lamented.

The children of Samuel and Issabel Wilson McCammon are:

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| 6 Dora Idella      | b and died in infancy |
| 7 Samuel Harrison  | b September 27, 1889  |
| 8 Grace Charles    | b January 29, 1892    |
| 9 Irene Clementine | b March 29, 1895      |
| 10 Clarence P.     | b August 31, 1897     |

5. SARAH ADALINE McCAMMON, fifth child of Samuel and Adaline Goddard McCammon was born Dec. 7, 1882 and was born and reared in Blount County. She died May 3, 1928 in Maryville, Tennessee, and is buried at Baker's Creek Church Cemetery. She married Jesse Hutton Sept. 4, 1902. He was Sheriff of Blount County for two terms, Road Commissioner and a breeder of fine hogs. He makes his home with his daughter in Alcoa. The family have all been supporters and workers in the First Methodist Church at Maryville.

The children of Jesse and Sarah Adaline McCammon Hutton are:

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| (a) Infant      | b and d in infancy  |
| (b) Stella      | b August 26, 1904   |
| (c) John Samuel | b November 22, 1910 |

(b) STELLA HUTTON was born and reared at Maryville. She had two years at Maryville College where she majored in Music. She is now a music teacher giving private lessons. She married John Edward Lewis from Chattanooga on Sept. 4, 1927. An interesting feature of the wedding is that it was the 25th wedding anniversary of the bride's mother, Sarah Adaline Hutton, who had also a double wedding with her sister, Lillie Florence Walker, at Baker's Creek, with Rev. James McConnell as the minister. J. Edward Lewis was educated in Chattanooga and is Supervisor of the Planning Department at the West Plant at Alcoa. They are members and supporters of the First Methodist Church in Maryville. The home is in Alcoa and the children are:

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| (1) Eleanor Louise         | b September 27, 1932 |
| (2) Patricia (Patsy) Jones | b April 22, 1937     |

(c). J. SAMUEL HUTTON was reared in Maryville. He married Jessie Steiner of Blount County, Tennessee. The home is at Kokomo, Indiana. Mr. Hutton spends part of his time here with his son.

7. SAMUEL H. McCAMMON, seventh child of Samuel McCammon and of his second wife Issabel McCammon was reared in Blount County. His home has been in Maryville the greater part of his life. He is a leading citizen of Maryville where for many years he has been connected with the McCammon-Ammons Undertaking Co., of Maryville. He is a deacon in the New Providence Presbyterian Church. He married Effa Jane McCulley May 27, 1912. She was born Nov. 9, 1892, the daughter of J. E. and Mary Florence Wallace McCulley of the Mt. Tabor Community near Maryville. She is active in church and club work of Maryville.

The child of Samuel and Effa McCulley McCammon is:

(a) Charles Samuel, Dr. b November 6, 1919

(a). CHARLES McCAMMON, DR., was educated at Maryville College and Vanderbilt University at Nashville, Tennessee. He was in the service in medical training in World War II and is a Major in the Medical Reserves. He was located for a time on an Indian Reservation at the Government Hospital at Defiance, Arizona. He had charge of this hospital and besides getting valuable experience was doing a notable work. He married Mary Thornburg June 14, 1945. The ceremony was at the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Knoxville, Tennessee. Mary Thornburgh McCammon is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Thornburgh, Knoxville, Tennessee, and was employed as a therapeutic and teaching dietitian at the Vanderbilt Hospital at the time of her marriage. The home was first in Nashville, where Dr. McCammon served his internship at Vanderbilt Hospital. Then they lived at Defiance, Arizona, but Dr. McCammon is now engaged in the public health service of the government at Oakland, California, where they now live. Dr. Charles and Mary Thornburgh McCammon have children as:

(1) Laura Ann b November 27, 1948  
(2) Charles Samuel, II b August 8, 1950

8. GRACE CHARLES McCAMMON, eighth child of Samuel McCammon and third of his wife Issabel Wilson McCammon, was reared in Blount County. She married Fern Cooper. She died July 29, 1941 and is buried at Magnolia Cemetery, Maryville.

9. IRENE CLEMENTINE McCAMMON, ninth child of Samuel McCammon and fourth of his wife Issabel Wilson McCammon was reared in Blount County. She married Hugh Montgomery Bogle Oct. 22, 1914. The family live in Maryville where their children were born. Hugh Bogle is a merchant but has been in poor health for some years. They are supporters of the New Providence Presbyterian Church. Their children are:

(a) Margaret Marie b December 28, 1915  
(b) Charles Richard b May 27, 1917  
(c) James Alexander b July 14, 1918  
(d) Charlotte Anabel b November 11, 1919  
(e) Elizabeth Louise b January 8, 1921  
(f) Frances Geraldine b December 28, 1921  
(b) Charles Richard d May 27, 1917  
(c) James Alexander d January 8, 1936  
(e) Elizabeth Louise d January 1921  
(f) Frances Geraldine d November 4, 1922



(a). MARGARET BOGLE married William Harold Everett Sept. 12, 1934. He is a pattern maker and has been employed at the Alcoa Plant. He has been called to New York as a designer in the Fisher Body Co. The family lives at Maryville and are workers in the New Providence Presbyterian Church. Their children are:

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| (1) Margaret June (Peggy) | b June     | 22, 1935 |
| (2) James Harold (Jimmy)  | b May      | 30, 1937 |
| (3) Joseph McCammon       | b December | 18, 1939 |
| (4) Rosalyn H.            | b August   | 15, 1944 |
| (5) Nancy Ann             | b November | 3, 1946  |
| (6) Thomas Dowell         | b April    | 22, 1948 |

(d). ANABEL BOGLE married John William Watts Oct. 22, 1939. He is employed at the Ulika Cleaners. The family home is in Knoxville and they attend a Methodist Church. Their children are:

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| (1) John William, III (Chubby) | b July    | 2, 1941  |
| (2) Virginia Irene (Ginger)    | b June    | 28, 1942 |
| (3) Melody Caye                | b January | 5, 1947  |

10. CLARENCE McCAMMON, tenth child of Samuel McCammon and fourth of his wife Issabel Wilson McCammon, was born and reared in Blount County. He is employed as a receiving clerk at the Aluminum Co., at Alcoa. He married Cleo Harper Sept. 20, 1919. She was born Sept. 15, 1901 and is the daughter of J. L. and Mary Ann Crudgington Harper of Louisville, Tennessee. The home is in Maryville, Tennessee, and they are affiliated with the First Methodist Church. Their children are:

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| (a) Jack | b August | 16, 1920 |
| (b) Don  | b August | 2, 1926  |

(a). JACK McCAMMON received his B.A. degree in Political Science at the University of California and is working on his M.A. degree in that institution. He is also employed in government work at Oakland, California, where he and his wife live. He was in the 1st Battalion, Special Engineers, in World War II, and two of his three years service were spent overseas. He married Ethel Jett of Maryville, Tennessee, June 18, 1948. She teaches in the Oakland schools.

(b). DON McCAMMON received his B.A. degree at Maryville College in 1950 in Business Administration and is working on his M.A. at the University of Tennessee. He is also employed in the electrical department at the Alcoa plant. He was in the Naval Air V-12 service for two years during World War II. He attended training schools at Carson-Newman, Tennessee and St. Mary's College, Oakland, California. He married Jo Ann Stroud Oct. 20, 1949 at Nashville, Tennessee. She is from Cincinnati, Ohio and graduated from Maryville College in 1950. The home is in Maryville and she teaches at Walland High School, Blount County. She is also working on her M.A. degree at the University of Tennessee. They are affiliated with the First Methodist Church.

k. CYNTHIA CLEMENTINE McCAMMON, eleventh child of Samuel and Martha Boyd Cowan McCammon was born Feb. 27, 1853. She was

reared at the home of her parents in Knox County, Tennessee. She died Feb. 3, 1905 and is buried at Baker's Creek. She married Joseph L. McCall Feb. 27, 1879. He was born May 24, 1855 and died Feb. 14, 1913, at the home near Baker's Creek in Blount County. This record was obtained from Charles O. McCall, a son, of Greenback, Tenn. The family have been supporters of the Presbyterian church.

The children of Joseph L. and Clementine McCammon McCall were born on the farm in Blount County and are:

1 Samuel Andrew	b January	24, 1880
2 William Cowan	b October	13, 1881
3 Charles Oscar	b December	3, 1884
4 Albert Ray	b March	2, 1887
5 Lulu	b April	7, 1889
6 Albert Moore	b March	27, 1892
7 Lillie Naomi	b September	18, 1895
1 Samuel Andrew	d November	30, 1881
4 Albert Ray	d September	21, 1890
7 Lillie Naomi	d January	28, 1920

2. WILLIAM COWAN McCALL, second child of Joseph L. and Clementine McCammon McCall was reared in the Blount County home and later lived on a farm near Greenback. He died Oct. 11, 1939 and is buried at Baker's Creek. He was a worker in the Greenback Presbyterian Church which his family also supported. It was at his home that I copied the older McCammon history from the Samuel McCammon Bible. He married Reba L. Morton Dec. 26, 1908. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pope Morton of Blount County. She was born Aug. 3, 1879 and died Sept. 10, 1946. She is buried beside her husband. The children of William C. and Reba Morton McCall are:

(a) Kyle Cowan	b February	24, 1914
(b) Wayne Morton	b February	23, 1920
(b) Wayne Morton	d July	28, 1920

(a). KYLE McCALL graduated from Maryville College. He was in the Signal Corps of the Army in World War II as a Sergeant. He is connected with the Hardware Store of his Uncle Charles McCall at Greenback. His home is near there on the farm of his childhood. He is active in the Greenback Presbyterian Church as Sunday School Superintendent, deacon, elder, etc.

He married Nanette Garner May 22, 1943. She was born Aug. 29, 1921. She is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and works in the church.

The children of Kyle and Nanette Garner McCall are:

(1) Rebecca Nan	b July	26, 1945
(2) Andrew Kyle	b February	6, 1948

3. CHARLES OSCAR McCALL, third child of Joseph L. and Clementine McCammon McCall, was reared in Blount County and for many years has lived in and owned a hardware business in Greenback. He is a worker in the Presbyterian Church. He married (1) Lora Naomi Huffstetler April 19, 1913. She died Oct. 3, 1935, and is buried at Baker's Creek. He has been helpful in sending in his own history and answering questions regarding other



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The children of Charles O. and Lora Naomi Huffstetler McCall are:

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|---------------------|-------------|----------|
| (a) Mary Charles    | b January   | 15, 1918 |
| (b) Rachel Kathleen | b September | 27, 1919 |
| (c) Jean Clementine | b June      | 3, 1925  |

(a). MARY CHARLES McCALL was reared at Greenback and for the past months has been with her Aunt Lulu McCall Chapman at Rushsylvania, Ohio.

(b). RACHEL KATHLEEN McCALL married Freeman Ragain Oct. 16, 1942. They live on a farm near Greenback, Tennessee and he is employed at the McCall Hardware Store. They support the Presbyterian Church. Their children are:

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| (1) Robert Charles | b October  | 21, 1945 |
| (2) Dale Patrick   | b December | 25, 1947 |

(c). JEAN CLEMENTINE McCALL married Purnell B. Darrell, III. He and his wife both graduated from Maryville College.

Charles O. McCall married (2) Edith Ilene Huffstetler Oct. 19, 1936. Her child and the fourth of Charles O. McCall is:

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| (d) Helen Christine | b February | 9, 1939 |
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6. ALBERT MOORE McCALL, sixth child of Joseph L. and Clementine McCammon McCall was reared at the family home in Blount County. He married Stella Florence Chapman Oct. 9, 1916, in Knoxville, Tennessee. She was born Jan. 24, 1897 at Greenback, Tennessee, in Loudon County. She is the daughter of Charles A. and Alice Woods Chapman. The family lived at Greenback for a while where all the children were born. They were all active members of the Presbyterian Church at Greenback. Since coming to Maryville they have united with the Baptist Church and the married children all support the Baptist church. All four of their girls were baptized in the pool together at the Baptist Church. Albert M. McCall is connected with the firm of Murray and Montgomery Insurance Agency. The children of this family are:

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| (a) Esther Geraldine | b August   | 12, 1918 |
| (b) Vivian Faye      | b June     | 28, 1920 |
| (c) Jane Alice       | b August   | 9, 1925  |
| (d) Sarah Elizabeth  | b November | 30, 1928 |

(a). ESTHER GERALDINE McCALL graduated from Business College at Knoxville, Tennessee. She married Frank C. Norton Sept. 22, 1939 at Maryville, Tennessee. He was born March 9, 1916, at Maryville, Tennessee. He is employed in the office at one of the Alcoa plants. Their home is at Alcoa and their children are:

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| (1) Judith Ann | b April | 19, 1942 |
| (2) Janet Faye | b June  | 19, 1951 |

(b). VIVIAN FAYE McCALL lives at home. She has been employed for several years in government work as Secretary in the P.M.A. Office at Maryville.

(c). JANE ALICE McCALL attended school at Maryville College and the University of Tennessee. She married Matthew Livingston Keith, Jr. Aug. 30, 1947 at Maryville, Tennessee. He was born April 11, 1926 in Georgia. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Matthew L. Keith of Maryville. His father is a retired Baptist preacher. Matthew L. was an Ensign in the Air Corps in World War II. He is employed with the Eastern Airlines at Memphis, where the family lives. Their children are:

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| (1) Patricia Jane | b August | 14, 1948 |
| (2) Susan Maureen | b April  | 15, 1951 |

(d). SARAH ELIZABETH (BESS) McCALL attended Maryville College and Furman University, Greenville, S. C. She married William A. Dinges June 18, 1949, at Maryville, Tennessee. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Dinges of Alexandria, Tennessee and Lake Worth, Florida. He attended Maryville College and is a graduate of Middle Tennessee State Teachers College, Murfreesboro. He is employed as a Coach and Math teacher in the High School at Watertown, Tennessee, where they live. It is near Lebanon, Tennessee.

5. LULU McCALL, fifth child of Joseph L. and Clementine McCammon McCall, was reared in Blount County. She married Robert Chapman and lives at Rushsylvania, Ohio. Have received no record of them so have only a scant history. The children as given are:

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| (a) Erma      | (d) Mary   |
| (b) J. Wilbur | (e) Olivia |
| (c) Charles   |            |

(a). ERMA CHAPMAN married Hosea Laverne Kelly. Children are:

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| (1) Robert Hosea  | b December  | 18, 1934 |
| (2) James Howard  | b February  | 8, 1937  |
| (3) Barton Edward | b September | 22, 1939 |

(b). and (c). J. WILBUR and CHARLES CHAPMAN attended Maryville College. They were also in World War II.

III. LETITIA McCAMMON, third child of Thomas and Sarah Pickens McCammon, was born about 1818. She was reared in the Neubert Springs community of Knox County. She is thought to be buried in the Sweetwater section of Loudon County. She married Allen Anderson Dec. 22, 1835. He was born about 1809.

He was evidently from Knox or Sevier County, perhaps living not so very far from the Eusebia section. The first record of business transactions for Allen and Letitia Anderson was when they sold a piece of property in Knox County which had been heired from Thomas McCammon, father of Letitia. The land was described as their part in the estate and was sold Feb. 10, 1845 to Samuel McCammon Jr. This record was found in a deed at the home of T. C. McCammon at Maryville. There is a notation in an old Eusebia record book which says that Letty Anderson led in prayer at Eusebia Church May 12, 1845.

Probably soon afterward the family moved to Blount County. From the records at the Trustee's office in Blount County I found several land transactions made by him. On March 7, 1855, "Allen Anderson of the County



of Blount bought land in the 1st District, Blount County, Tenn." There were 145 acres of land. On March 4, 1857 he had sold land in Blount County. In 1859 he was security on a marriage bond in Blount County. In transactions of Aug. 13, 1860 and of Feb. 11, 1862 he was a resident of Monroe County. He was listed as a resident of McMinn County when on Feb. 4, 1862 he bought land from heirs of Samuel McCammon who owned land on Nile Mile Creek in 1st District of Blount County, Tenn. The heirs were Margaret McCammon McMurry (wife of Boyd McMurry) of Knox County and Susannah McCammon Pickens (wife of Col. William C. Pickens) and were the daughters of Samuel McCammon a brother of Thomas and uncle of Letitia McCammon Anderson. A record gives the death of the above Samuel as in 1841 and that he left minor daughters. A descendent of Margaret McCammon McMurry says that Letitia McCammon Anderson partly raised Margaret McCammon McMurry so the Allen Andersons probably moved to the McCammon farm and made a home for the orphan Margaret until her marriage, afterward buying the property she and her sister inherited.

I had some first hand news about the family from Mr. E. P. Lee at Big Springs, Blount County. He said that Allen Anderson bought land at Sweetwater. Said he died there and his widow Letty McCammon Anderson lived with her son, John, of that community and that Allen and Letty Anderson are evidently buried in the Sweetwater section. He said that Letty Anderson was a large, heavy-set woman.

From the microfilm at the Knoxville library I found this record of Allen and Letitia Anderson, which had been made, Nov. 29, 1850: Allen 41, Letitia 32, Thomas 13, John 11, Sarah 7, Samuel 5, and Lewis 1, which would make the approximate birth dates as given below, except for Thomas, whose record I was able to trace.

a Thomas	b January	6, 1837
b John	b	1839
c Sarah	b	1843
d Samuel	b	1845
e Lewis	b	1849

a. THOMAS ANDERSON, oldest child of Allen and Letitia McCammon Anderson, was born Jan. 6, 1837 and died at Morganton in Loudon County, April 14, 1903. He married Mahala C. Crye Oct. 9, 1857. She was born July 6, 1831 and died May 28, 1902. Both are buried in the Morganton Cemetery. Thomas and Mahala Anderson signed with others about a tract of land to be sold to brothers of the estate of John Crye, deceased. The acreage was on Cloyd's Creek, Blount County and the time was February, 1859.

Mr. E. P. Lee said that his mother, Sarah Crye was a sister to Mahala Crye Anderson and that they were always glad when Uncle Tom and Aunt Mahala came for a visit. He said that Tom Anderson lived about a mile from his farm at Big Springs. He said he was a fine man, slim, with black hair and beard. Said he was a hard worker, jovial, and good natured. The children of Tom and Mahala Crye Anderson are:

1 John Allen, Dr.	b August	23, 1858
2 Josie	b October	25, 1862
3 Mattie	b May	25, 1867

1. DR. JOHN ANDERSON made his home at Morganton, Tennessee. He graduated in Medicine and practiced in the region of Morganton. He died Jan. 22, 1921 and is buried at Morganton. He married Loula Kerr Dec. 25, 1895. They were married at Greenback and the ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. C. Ritter. Mrs. Anderson was born May 9, 1875 on a farm near Greenback, Tennessee. Her father was Rev. David Burton Kerr, a Presbyterian Minister for many years, and a long-time resident and member of a prominent family of Greenback, Tennessee. Her mother was Elizabeth (Betty) Wimberly Kerr. Mrs. Anderson is in feeble health and makes her home with her daughter Mrs. Albert Walling, Knoxville, Tenn. The children of Dr. John and Loula Kerr Anderson were born at Morganton and are:

(a) Oren Kerr	b September	13, 1896
(b) Dana Leon	b October	6, 1900

(a). OREN K. ANDERSON graduated from High School and was connected with his Uncle, the Kerr Bros., in a Hardware Store at Sweetwater, Tennessee. He came to Knoxville in 1921 and since that time has been connected with the Kerr Motor Co. He married Hazel Moore Jan. 26, 1924, at the Second Presbyterian Church at Knoxville. She was born Sept. 26, 1900 and was reared at the Neubert Springs residence of her parents. She is the daughter of the late John Coffey Moore and his wife Jane Simpson Moore. Hazel Moore finished high school and was with the City National Bank before her marriage. The family are all members and workers in the Second Presbyterian Church. The home is on the Neubert Springs Pike and the children born in Knoxville Hospitals are:

(1) Oren Kerr, Jr.	b September	2, 1926
(2) Jerry Allen	b May	26, 1930
(3) Lou Jane	b March	18, 1943

(1) OREN K. ANDERSON, JR., was in the Navy from 1944-1946. He is completing his Senior year at the University of Tennessee. He married Winnie Anderson in 1946, who was from Memphis, Tennessee. She had two years at Southwestern in Memphis and one year of Nursing at Vanderbilt, Nashville, Tenn. The home is at Knoxville and their children are:

i Julia Lynn	b August	18, 1949
ii Oren Kerr, III	b January	2, 1951

(2). JERRY ALLEN ANDERSON completed High School. He married Martha Anderson in Dec. 1948. She was from Memphis and completed one year at the University of Tennessee. The home is near Knoxville and their children are:

i Dana Carolyn	b October	10, 1949
ii Jerry Allen, Jr.	b December	2, 1950

(b). DANA LEON ANDERSON was reared at Morganton, coming to Knoxville in 1921. She completed High School and a course at the Knoxville Business College. She was with the Fidelity Trust Company at Knoxville, for three years previous to her marriage. She married Albert Napier Walling, Oct. 6, 1925. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Horace Cody Wilson at the Second Presbyterian Church. Albert N. Walling was born Feb. 18, 1891 in Waco, Texas. His parents were William L. and Helen Napier Walling. Al-



bert graduated from High School and for a number of years has had an important position with Fidelity Bankers Company. He is an elder, Dana has been Secretary to the Women's Association, their daughter works in the children's department and all are active in various other ways in the Presbyterian Church. The home is in Knoxville. The child of Albert N. and Dana Anderson Walling is:

(1) Dana Marion                      b November      10, 1927

(1) MARION WALLING graduated from Knoxville High School in 1945 and from the University of Tennessee in 1949. Here she received a B.S. Degree in Home Economics, was a member of Delta Delta Delta Sorority and of Alpha Lambda Delta, was Managing Editor of the Orange and White in 1947, chosen for the Mortar Board Award and as a member of Who's Who of American Universities and Colleges and was connected with other University activities. She is active in the work of the Second Presbyterian Church and is employed in the office of the Alumni Association of the University of Tennessee.

IV. SUSANNAH McCAMMON, fourth child of Thomas and Sarah Pickens McCammon, was born April 19, 1821. She was reared in the Neubert's community. She died May 29, 1881 and is buried at the Salem Methodist Church cemetery, Knox County. She married Alexander Preston (Press) Rambo July 16, 1846. He was born Feb. 29, 1822 at Wytheville, Virginia, and is buried beside his wife.

In a letter from O. P. McCammon to his brother Thomas H. McCammon, sent from Headquarters Co. L. 3rd Tenn. Cavalry, Camp Decatur, Ala., mention is made of A. P. Rambo, with other relatives, as "knocking along very well."

Alexander Preston Rambo and wife Susannah, legatees of Thomas McCammon, deceased, of Knox County, Tennessee, sold to Samuel McCammon Jr., their interest in the land of their father, Nov. 19, 1853.

The record of this family was copied from the old Rambo Bible at the home of Mrs. Andrew J. Rambo of near Stock Creek. The children of Press and Susan McCammon Rambo were all born in Knox County and are:

a Thomas A.	b April	3, 1847
b Frances Jane	b October	11, 1848
c Peter Harrison	b January	28, 1851
d Samuel P.	b April	1, 1854
e Sarah	b April	8, 1856
f Mary Letitia	b July	2, 1858
g John C.	b April	18, 1861
h Preston A.	b February	20, 1863
c Peter H. (Harve)	d About	1905
d Samuel P.	d July	22, 1872
h Preston A.	d In	Oklahoma

a. THOMAS A. RAMBO, oldest child of Press and Susan McCammon Rambo, was born and reared in Knox County, Tennessee. He was a leading citizen of the Stock Creek Community where he lived. He and his family

were leaders in the Stock Creek Baptist Church, near his home. The children were all born and reared in this section and most of them are deceased and almost all of the family are buried at the New Salem Cemetery. Thomas died Jan. 13, 1911. He married Jane Johnson, May 15, 1873. She was born June 10, 1848 and died Sept. 28, 1924. She is buried beside her husband. The children of Thomas and Jane Johnson Rambo are:

1 Samuel Russell	b April	24, 1875
2 Mary Frances	b January	2, 1879
3 Thomas Alvin	b June	27, 1883
4 John McCarroll	b April	18, 1886
5 Andrew Johnson	b March	18, 1889
6 William Harrison	b October	21, 1891
4 John McCarroll	d June	17, 1915
6 William Harrison	d August	6, 1915

1. SAMUEL RUSSELL RAMBO, oldest child of Tom and Jane Johnson Rambo has long been a business man of Knoxville. He married Cordelia Johnson Jan. 6, 1901. She was born Aug. 15, 1876. The family home is at Knoxville, Tennessee. Their children are:

(a) Mary	b September	14, 1901
(b) Janie twins	b September	14, 1901
(c) Edith	b January	4, 1905

(a). MARY RAMBO married W. P. Parkhouse, Jr. Aug. 30, 1928. They have a child:

(1) John Samuel	b November	8, 1932
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(b). JANIE RAMBO married Charles McGhee Baxter Jan. 2, 1930.

(c). EDITH RAMBO married John A. Steel, Jr., Jan. 6, 1927.

2. MARY FRANCES (Fanny) RAMBO, second child of Tom and Jane Johnson Rambo, died March 15, 1926 and is buried at Anna Wesley Church burial place in Blount County. She married Robert Houston Rule Nov. 27, 1902. He was born Feb. 13, 1873. He still lives on the farm on Roddy's Branch, Blount County. The children of Robert or Bob and Fanny Rambo Rule were born and reared at the home of their parents. The family have been members and supporters of the Methodist Church. The children of this family are:

(a) Janie Mae	b January	20, 1905
(b) Howard Hale	b October	19, 1908
(c) Samuel Houston	b April	17, 1911
(a) Janie Mae	d January	20, 1905

(b). HOWARD RULE is single and lives at the home of his father and stepmother.

(c). SAMUEL RULE, youngest child of Bob and Fanny Rambo Rule, lives near his father and operates the farm. He married Edith Evelyn McCarroll May 20, 1942. She was born March 29, 1919. Their child is:

(1) Joseph Houston	February	22, 1943
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3. THOMAS ALVIN RAMBO, third child of Tom and Jane Johnson Rambo, died April 29, 1911. He married Lucy Simpson.





A part of Pickens corner in the Eusebia Cemetery. Eusebia Church in the background.



Eusebia Cemetery 1951







5. ANDREW JOHNSON RAMBO, fifth child of Tom and Jane Johnson Rambo, died January 6, 1932. He married Lucy Langford. She was born April 28, 1904. She is living in the region of Stock Creek Church and it was at her home that I copied the record of the older Rambo people from the Rambo Bible.

b. FRANCES JANE RAMBO, second child of Press and Susan McCammon Rambo, was born Oct. 11, 1848. She died March 10, 1873. She married James Griffen Sept. 5, 1872. He was in the Ice and Coal Business and lived at Knoxville. There were no descendents.

e. SARAH RAMBO, fifth child of Press and Susan McCammon Rambo, was born April 8, 1856. She died March 20, 1889 and is buried at Salem. She married James Williams. He was born in 1852 and died in 1920. He is buried beside his wife. They lived in the Stock Creek community. The children of James and Sarah Rambo Williams are:

1 Charles	b October	18, 1877
2 John	b January	7, 1880
3 Fanny	b	1883
4 Bertie May	b May	26, 1886
5 Horace	b and d in	1888
3 Fanny	d January	5, 1886

1. CHARLES WILLIAMS, oldest child of James and Sarah Rambo Williams, died Jan. 10, 1910, in Knoxville, where he made his home. His child is:

(a) Roy Sanders      b October      5, 1899

(a). ROY S. WILLIAMS married about 1930 and there are no descendents. He lives at Newport.

2. JOHN WILLIAMS, second child of James and Sarah Rambo Williams, died May 5, 1947 in Washington, D. C. He entered service in the Spanish American war at the age of 16 years. He is buried at Arlington Cemetery.

4. BERTIE MAY WILLIAMS, fourth child of James and Sarah Rambo Williams, was born at Knoxville, Tenn., where her father was employed in the Ice and Coal Company of an Uncle. They moved to the Stock Creek section where her mother soon died, leaving Bertie an orphan of less than three years. She was partly reared by relatives. She married Charles Roach in 1907. He was from Jefferson City, Tennessee. She sent the record of her immediate family and of her father's family. She and her husband live at Chicago, Ill. Their child is:

(a) James Sidney      b July      5, 1917

(a). JAMES ROACH is an attorney and lives in Chicago, Ill. During World War II he was working in the Personnel and Legal Dept. of the Douglas Air Craft Co. He married Janet Lehr. Their children are:

(1) James Sidney, Jr.	b July	15, 1942
(2) Stephenson	b Nov.	5, 1947

f. MARY LETITIA RAMBO, sixth child of Press and Susan McCammon Rambo, was born July 2, 1858. She died about 1890 and is buried at New Salem Methodist Church Cemetery in Knox County, Tennessee. She married

Michael Elbert Tarwater in Knox County, Tenn., Feb. 21, 1878. He was born Feb. 21, 1855. He took his family to Texas soon after the death of his wife. The children of Elbert and Mary Letitia Rambo Tarwater are:

1 Minnie Olive	b March	21, 1879
2 Bertha Vivian	b September	27, 1880
3 Luna May	b August	27, 1882
4 William Bell	b October	8, 1884
5 Maude Cardwell	b May	21, 1889

1. MINNIE TARWATER, oldest child of Elbert and Mary Letitia Rambo Tarwater, was born in Knox County, Tenn. She married George Grundy Gore Feb. 23, 1897, in Childress County, Texas. He was born Feb. 21, 1866 in Jackson County, Tennessee. The record of this family was sent from Mrs. Gore who now lives with her family in Brownfield, Texas. The children of George and Minnie Tarwater Gore are:

(a) Chester Durwood	b May	7, 1899
(b) Crede Rule	b January	1, 1901
(c) Houston Keith	b October	31, 1903
(d) Mary Lala	b December	6, 1905
(e) George Herbert	b November	13, 1908
(f) Ruth Vivian	b September	27, 1911
(g) William Elbert	b July	8, 1913
(h) Minnie Hazel	b May	11, 1915
(i) Luna Maud	b October	28, 1917
(j) Alfred Harold	b January	23, 1923

(a). CHESTER DURWOOD GORE was born in Hall County, Texas. He married Ona Walker Dec. 7, 1919 in Terry County, Texas. She was born May 21, 1898 in Terry County, Texas. Their children are:

(1) Doris Lee	b November	25, 1920
(2) Herman Claudia	b December	2, 1922

(1) DORIS LEE GORE married Samuel Traque Dec. 30, 1940. He was in the Armed Services of World War II. Their child is (i), a daughter.

(2). HERMAN GORE at the time of the record was in the Armed Services of World War II, and was somewhere in Africa. He was single.

(b). CREDE RULE GORE was born in Hall County, Texas. He married Cela Duke June 13, 1936. She was born May 2, 1901. Their children were born in Terry County, Texas and are:

1 Mounce	b December	26, 1921
2 Creda Gale	b May	26, 1923

(c). HOUSTON KEITH GORE was single at the time of the record.

(d). MARY LALA GORE married (1) H. C. or Dooley Shaw Jan. 9, 1925, in Brownfield, Texas. He died June 3, 1932. She married (2) Harry Cornirlus Aug. 9, 1942. He was with the Armed Forces in World War II.

(e). GEORGE HERBERT GORE married Vivian Murphy July 4, 1940. He was with the Armed Forces in World War II.



(f). RUTH VIVIAN GORE married Cecil Casey Nov. 8, 1936. Their children are:

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| (1) Gerald     | b September | 14, 1939 |
| (2) George Ben | b November  | 12, 1942 |

(g). WILLIAM ELBERT GORE married Elsie Tarpley March 13, 1938. He was with the Armed Forces in World War II.

(h). MINNIE HAZEL GORE married James L. Bourman February 19, 1943. He was with the Armed Forces in World War II.

(i). LUNA MAUDE GORE married Ollie Bruton May 17, 1936. Their children are:

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| (1) Patricia Ann  | b March   | 10, 1939 |
| (2) Howard Eugene | b October | 14, 1940 |

(j). ALFRED HAROLD GORE was born in Terry County, Texas, was single and in the Armed Forces of World War II. He was in England at the time of the record.

2. BERTHA VIVIAN TARWATER, second child of Elbert and Mary Letitia Rambo Tarwater, was born Sept. 27, 1880, at Neubert Springs, Knox County, Tennessee. She married Samuel Alfred Gore April 12, 1908, in Corpus Christi, Texas. There were no descendents. He died Dec. 27, 1916 in Livingston, Texas and is buried in Hulver Cemetery near Estelline, Texas, where his widow still lives.

3. LUNA MAY TARWATER, third child of Elbert and Mary Letitia Rambo Tarwater was born Aug. 27, 1882, in Knox County, Tennessee. She married Thomas Jefferson Cope Dec. 9, 1903. Their children are:

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| (a) J. Warner          | b December | 27, 1905 |
| (b) Kenneth Rule       | b July     | 26, 1910 |
| (c) Margaret Elizabeth | b July     | 26, 1914 |

(a). J. WARNER COPE is a farmer and stockman of Texas. He had two years in College at Simmons University, Abilene, Texas. He married Lucille Berryman Nov. 15, 1930. Their children are:

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| (1) Thomas James   | b about 1937 |
| (2) Michael Warner | b about 1942 |

(b). KENNETH RULE COPE had two years at the University of Texas Tech at Lubbock, Texas. In 1944 he was general foreman in the North American Air Plane Plant at Grand Prairie, Texas. He married Willie May Cannon March 11, 1936. Their child is:

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| (1) Martha Rae | b May | 21, 1937 |
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(c). MARGARET ELIZABETH COPE married Clarence Milton Wooten Jan. 21, 1940. He is a farmer. Both he and his wife graduated from the West Texas State College at Canyon, Texas. They have a child:

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| (1) David Rolfe | b October | 9, 1943 |
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4. WILLIAM BELL TARWATER, fourth child of Elbert and Mary Letitia Rambo Tarwater, was born Oct. 8, 1884. He married Mrs. Pearl Waford Vinson May 4, 1921. Their child is:

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| (a) William Bell, Jr. | b November | 24, 1922 |
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(a). WILLIAM BELL TARWATER, Jr., was born in Childress, Texas. He was with the Armed Forces in World War II.

f. MAUDE CARDWELL TARWATER, fifth child of Elbert and Mary Letitia Rambo Tarwater, was born May 21, 1889. She married Oscar Lee Agee April 12, 1913. Their children are:

(a) Mary Maude	b January	6, 1917
(b) Oscar Lee, Jr.	b December	25, 1920

(a). MARY MAUDE AGEE married Stephen F. Ford June 26, 1937.

(b). OSCAR LEE AGEE Jr., enlisted in the Army Air Forces June 21, 1942.

g. JOHN C. TARWATER, seventh child of Press and Susan McCammon Rambo was born April 18, 1861, in Knox County, Tennessee. He went to Oklahoma to live. A few years ago he lived near Ardmore. In 1944 he was still living according to relatives here. I was unable to contact any of his family for further record.

## JEAN PICKENS HENDERSON

B. JEAN PICKENS, second child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, was born Oct. 30, 1786 in Virginia and came to Tennessee with her parents when nine or ten years of age. She died Dec. 28, 1817 and is buried at the Big Springs Church Cemetery in Blount County. She married Frank Henderson about 1810, who was born in 1776, died March 17, 1823, and is buried beside his wife.

The descendents of this line speak of the husband of Jean Pickens as Frank, instead of Francis, but the record from the tombstone is this: "In memory of Francis Henderson who died March 17, 1823, age 47 years." I think the Francis may have been changed to Frank to save confusion with the Francis Henderson who married Eleanor Pickens, a sister to Jean. For the sake of clarity and because the relatives use the name Frank, it will be thus used in this record.

Jean Pickens is called Jean in the family record of her birth, but the tombstone record has it thus: "In memory of Jane Henderson who died Dec. 28, 1817, aged 31 years." Since the names are essentially the same, I am using the form of Jean.

From Mr. Parham's record, "the land that John Pickens Henderson inherited from his parents, Frank and Jean Pickens Henderson was on Gallaher Creek, within one mile, and some including Big Springs." John Pickens, as executor of his grand-son, John Pickens Henderson sold land to Joseph Johnston Dec. 9, 1823. This land was part of a grant No. 181, containing 136 acres and bargained for during the life-time of said Francis Henderson.

John Pickens as executor, also sold land to James McColmon on Gallaher Creek Oct. 10, 1826. Robert Pickens succeeded his father as executor of John



P. Henderson and was functioning as such March 24, 1834. Robert Pickens says he received \$358 from former guardian John Pickens, that belonged to John P. Henderson. This was a report to the Blount County Court Aug. 25, 1842.

John P. Henderson receipted Robert Pickens Jan. 26, 1843, as "he is of age," and said that the money was from "the estate of my father."

The children of Frank and Jean Pickens Henderson are:

I	William	b	November	2, 1811
II	Letitia Hannah	b	July	7, 1813
III	Nancy	b	August	27, 1815
IV	John Pickens	b	December	17, 1817

I. WILLIAM HENDERSON, oldest child of Frank and Jean Pickens Henderson, was born Nov. 2, 1811 in Blount County, Tenn. He died Mar. 4, 1880 and is buried near Dalton, Georgia, in a cemetery said to be called the Presbyterian cemetery. He married Elizabeth C. Bogle May 12, 1842. She was born Feb. 29, 1820 and died June 26, 1860, and is buried beside her husband. The children of William and Elizabeth Bogle Henderson were born near Dalton, Georgia, where their parents made their home. They are:

a	Mary Letitia	b		1843
b	Francis Johnson	b	March	20, 1845
c	Jane Pickens	b		1848
d	Joseph Bogle	b		1850
e	William M.	b		1852
f	John	b		1857
e	William M.	d	in boyhood	

a. MARY LETITIA HENDERSON, oldest child of William and Elizabeth Bogle Henderson, married Thomas Camp. Full details of her family are lacking. I am indebted to Mrs. Ernest Camp of Weatherford, Texas for the following record of the Camp family. Mary Letitia Camp, husband and family moved from Dalton, Georgia to Talladega, Ala., from there to Pittsburg, Texas, then to Albany, Texas and to Breckenridge, Texas. Mary Letitia Henderson died in Sept. 1896.

The children of Thomas and Mary Letitia Henderson Camp are:

1	Charles William	b	January	14, 1873
2	Frank	b	December	1873
3	Ernest Anderson	b	October	1875
4	Elizabeth Bogle	b		1877
5	Walter Joseph	b		1880
6	James Dennis	b	June	25, 1881
7	Paul Jackson	b	April	28, 1883
8	John Xenophen	b	April	12, 1885

1. CHARLES W. CAMP, oldest child of the above list lives at Abilene, Texas. He sent most of the record of himself and family. He says of himself: "the Lord is good indeed to me, not in accumulation of THINGS, but in far richer ways indeed. In fact, I am young at 78, and have recaptured much of the faith, zeal and joyous 'look ahead' of my youth." He wrote March, 1951 and meant to send in more about himself and immediate family.

2 FRANK, 4. ELIZABETH B., 5. WALTER, and 6. JAMES D. CAMP died in infancy.

3. ERNEST CAMP was born in Dalton, Georgia. He died Jan. 3, 1942, at Weatherford, Texas. From the letter of Mrs. Camp: "Ernest came to Weatherford, Texas at the age of 19 and made his home here until his death. He was a mechanic and established the firm of Camp and Co., Plumbers and Sheet Metal Workers, in 1904. He was active in church and fraternal work throughout his adult life. He was Superintendent of the Sunday School of the Coutts Memorial Methodist Church for 40 years. He was active in the work of the Knights of Pythias Order since 1905 to the time of his death." He married Rhoda Dines in 1901. She died May 29, 1915. Their children were:

- (a) Robert A.
- (b) Samuel Dines

(a). ROBERT CAMP married Opal Stewart and the home is at Bryan, Texas. They have one child:

- (1) Ernest Stewart      b May                      26, 1931

(b). SAMUEL Camp married Lola Pearl Homer and the home is at Houston, Texas. Their children are:

- (1) Sallie Lucia              b September      26, 1941
- (2) Bill                      b February      27, 1943

ERNEST CAMP married (2) Elva K. Russell July 8, 1917. She is living at Weatherford, Texas and sent the above information.

7. PAUL CAMP became a partner in the business of his brother Ernest Camp and lives at Weatherford and still operates the business.

8. JOHN CAMP lives at Woodson, Texas.

b. FRANCIS JOHNSON HENDERSON, second child of William and Elizabeth Bogle Henderson, was born March 20, 1845 in Gordon County, Georgia. He died May 11, 1908 and is buried near Dalton, Georgia. He lived around Dalton all his life. He was a carpenter and contractor working for years after his marriage in the surrounding counties. He was a Union soldier in the war of 1860-1865. He married Mary Josephine Woods Dec. 12, 1872. Their children were all born at Dalton, Georgia and are:

- 1 Mary Elizabeth              b November      21, 1874
- 2 Lida Emma Dr.              b April              10, 1877
- 3 Cleve Edward              b March              4, 1879
- 4 Jessica Luvenia              b June              28, 1882
- 5 Frances Cunningham      b April              7, 1886
- 6 John Lewis                  b November      7, 1888

1. MARY ELIZABETH HENDERSON, oldest child of Francis and Mary Josephine Woods Henderson, was born Nov. 21, 1874. She graduated from a girls' Seminary and took a business course in Chattanooga, working there a while before her marriage. She was an active member of the Presbyterian Church, holding many offices in the Womens organizations. She was also active in the work of the Federation of Womens Clubs. She died April 14, 1943 in Charlotte, N. C. She married Jefferson Richard Palmer May 22, 1897, in Dalton, Georgia.



Jefferson R. Palmer was born in Burke County, Georgia, Jan. 17, 1869. He was one of a large family. His father was a doctor who died shortly after the Civil War. He had little formal education and due to the conditions of the post-war, went to work to help support the family.

He was a newspaper man and was for years connected with the Chattanooga News as Foreign Advertising manager. The owner of the newspaper married Madeline Palmer, only sister of Jefferson Palmer. He was later associated with Massengale Advertising Agency in Atlanta, Georgia, The Atlanta Georgian, The Charlotte News and The Textile Bulletin of Charlotte. He was a Catholic. He died Nov. 25, 1935 in Charlotte, N. C. The family lived in various cities of employment. The children of Jefferson and Elizabeth Palmer were born at Chattanooga, Tennessee and are:

- (a) Madeline Elizabeth b April 18, 1898
- (b) Dorothy Elizabeth b October 30, 1903

(a). MADELINE PALMER, oldest child of Jefferson and Elizabeth Henderson Palmer, sent the record of her parents and her immediate family. She graduated from Washington Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia. She took a law course at the University of North Carolina and passed the Bar Examination in August, 1919, the youngest woman admitted to the Bar at that time. She did graduate study in Social Work at the same University in 1936-37. She has been in the field of Social Work since her husband's death. She has been connected with the North Carolina State Commission for the Blind for the past 14 years. She has worked in various capacities and at present is Director of Public Relations. She is an Episcopalian and so is her son and his family. She married Edmund Walter McCrary May 20, 1920.

He was the son of Charles E. and Elizabeth Long McCrary of Lexington. He was born Jan. 7, 1897 and Died Feb. 12, 1936 at Gastonia, N. C. He attended Guilford and Elon Colleges in N. C. He was a salesman. He and his family lived in Virginia and Charlotte and Gastonia, N. C. Since his death, his wife Madeline Palmer McCrary has made her home at Charlotte and Raleigh, N. C., the latter being her present address. The children of Edmund and Madeline McCrary were born in Charlotte, N. C., and are:

- (1) Charles Edmund, II b July 30, 1924
- (2) Donald Palmer b December 1, 1928
- (2) Donald Palmer d October 1, 1933

(1) CHARLES EDMUND McCRARY attended Christ Episcopal School at Arden, N. C. He entered North Carolina State College, served three years in the Army of World War II, returned and graduated from North Carolina State College in Engineering in June, 1949. He married Elizabeth June Hicks June 7, 1947, in Raleigh, North Carolina. She is the daughter of Vonnice M. and Jessie Gregg Hicks. Charles Edmund accepted a regular Army Commission as Second Lieutenant in June, 1949. He is stationed in the Canal Zone. Their child was born in Raleigh, North Carolina and is:

- i Charles Edmund, III b November 17, 1949

(b). DOROTHY ELIZABETH PALMER, second child of Jefferson and Elizabeth Henderson Palmer, attended private schools, is a member of the Presbyterian Church, is single and lives with her sister Madeline at Raleigh, N. C.

2. LIDA EMMA HENDERSON, DR., second child of Francis and Mary Josephine Woods Henderson, was born April 10, 1877. She married Dr. Charles Steel Betts in Kirkville, Missouri, Jan. 29, 1903. He was from Madison, South Dakota. "He graduated from the American College of Osteopathy at Kirkville, Missouri. He specialized in obstetrics and correction of body lesions. Later he discontinued obstetrical work and is now diagnostician of injuries and lesions of the body. People come from all over the state. He is still very busy."

I had a very interesting letter of general Henderson information from Dr. Lida Betts. A sister, Mrs. Hanner, writes that Dr. Lida Betts was married at Kirkville, Missouri where she was in Osteopathic training. Also that later the dual physicians practiced in Chattanooga and Knoxville, Tenn., and then went to Salem, South Dakota for several years before going to their present location at Huron, South Dakota.

Dr. Lida Betts has not only been a help-mate for her husband but a co-worker in his medical profession. Their letterhead bears this inscription—Dr. C. S. Betts, Dr. Lida Betts—Osteopathic Physicians, Huron, South Dakota. Dr. Lida graduated from the same school as her husband and says of herself. "I practiced Pediatrics and Women's Diseases. Had a good practice for forty years. I have been crippled and helpless for several years from Rheumatoid Arthritis and use a wheel chair." She extends an invitation to visit her family and "see our fine country and scenic Black Hills."

The children of Dr. Charles S. and Dr. Lida Henderson Betts are:

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| (a) Charles Francis      | b November  | 3, 1903  |
| (b) Laurence Steele, Dr. | b September | 18, 1904 |
| (c) Donald Edward        | b January   | 29, 1906 |
| (d) James Gordon, Dr.    | b August    | 26, 1909 |
| (a) Charles Francis      | d November  | 15, 1903 |
| (c) Donald Edward        | d September | 2, 1906  |

(b). LAURENCE STEEL BETTS, DR., second child of Dr. Charles and Dr. Lida Betts, was born at Salem, South Dakota. He graduated from the Kansas City College of Osteopathy in 1929. He is a specialist in eye, ear nose and throat, practicing at the Betts Clinic, Huron, South Dakota. He is an elder and member of the choir in the Presbyterian church, trustee of Huron College Board, Past President of Rotary Club and active in Scout work. He married Genevieve Munsell in 1933. Their children are:

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| (1) Linda Florence | b May  | 30, 1935 |
| (2) Nancy Charlene | b June | 11, 1938 |
| (3) Laura Gene     | b June | 11, 1943 |

(d). JAMES GORDON BETTS, DR., fourth child of Dr. Charles and Dr. Lida Betts, was born at Huron, South Dakota. He is a graduate of the Kansas City College of Osteopathy of 1933. He is a general practitioner. He specialized in obstetrics and located in Spearfish, South Dakota. He married Maxine Sperry in 1933. Their children are:

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| (1) Jay Gordon   | b January  | 2, 1940 |
| (2) John William | b November | 7, 1941 |

3. CLEVE EDWARD HENDERSON, third child of Francis and Mary Josephine Woods Henderson was born March 4, 1879. He died Feb 19, 1939,



in Chattanooga, Tenn. He married Clemmie Kelley. The completed record of this family was not available but have this: The children of Cleve and Clemmie Kelley Henderson are:

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| (a) Edward K.   | (c) John R. |
| (b) Elizabeth C. who lives in Chattanooga,<br>Tennessee |             |

4. JESSICA LUVENIA HENDERSON, fourth child of Francis and Mary Josephine Woods Henderson, was born June 28, 1882. She died Aug. 21, 1918 in Atlanta, Georgia. She remained single.

5. FRANCES HENDERSON, fifth child of Francis and Mary Josephine Woods Henderson, was born April 7, 1886. She received her education in Dalton and Atlanta. She was a business woman until her marriage. She resides in Atlanta, Ga., where she is a very active member in the various phases of the work of Druid Hills Presbyterian Church.

She married William Newton Hanner Oct. 1, 1919, at the North Avenue Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, Georgia. He was born June 13, 1874 in Morgan County, Georgia, died Feb. 6, 1946 in Atlanta, Georgia. He is buried at Dalton, Georgia in the family lot of his wife.

6. JOHN LEWIS HENDERSON, sixth child of Francis and Mary Josephine Woods Henderson, was born Nov. 7, 1888. The completed record was not available. According to information from a member of the family he married Jess Arn, has a son, John and lives at Cowan, Tennessee.

c. JANE PICKENS HENDERSON, daughter of William and Elizabeth Bogle Henderson, born about 1848, died about 1892 in Albany, Texas. She married James W. D. Woods, who died in 1890 in Dalton, Georgia. Their children and a little history of them was sent in by Charles W. Camp. They are:

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| 1 Elizabeth | 4 Frank  |
| 2 William   | 5 John   |
| 3 Arthur    | 6 Bertie |
| 7 Minnie    |          |

Elizabeth Woods, eighty in March, 1951, lives in Santa Monica, California. William Woods died in 1894, not quite 21; Arthur and Elizabeth Woods died in the 1890's. John Woods died in El Paso, Texas in 1947 and Frank Woods died in Los Angeles, California in the same year. Minnie Woods, a widow lives in Handsboro, Miss. "She is a sweet, gracious woman, now in her sixties." "Mollie Woods, a sister of James Woods married Frank Henderson, brother of Jane Henderson Woods, so there is a double relationship in these two families."

d. JOSEPH BOGLE HENDERSON, son of William and Elizabeth Bogle Henderson, born about 1850, single, was killed in a locomotive explosion about 1870.

f. JOHN HENDERSON, son of William and Elizabeth Bogle Henderson, born about 1857 in Dalton, Georgia, died at Fort Worth, Texas in 1936. From Dr. Lida Betts, Huron, South Dakota, I have this about him: "John Henderson left his home at Dalton when a young man about 17 or 18 years old and

went to Forth Worth, Texas, where he lived until his death. He remained single and was a friend to everyone." Several of his nieces and nephews were at his bedside shortly before his death. He was Superintendent of the Cotton Belt Railway Shops in Fort Worth, Texas. He was generous with his family, aiding his sisters, nieces, and nephews.

II. LETITIA HANNAH HENDERSON, second child of Frank and Jane Pickens Henderson, was born in Blount County, Tennessee, July 7, 1813. She died March 10, 1898 and is buried at the Eusebia Cemetery. She married James Campbell Sheddman Dec. 14, 1848. He was born July 15, 1815 and died June 19, 1879. He is buried beside his wife. He was the son of James Campbell, Sheddman, Sr., who settled on Nail's Creek not far from the old John Pickens homestead and where the succeeding generations of Sheddman lived and some still make their home. All of them have been staunch supporters of the Eusebia Church. Letty Henderson Sheddman was probably reared in the Eusebia section by relatives, since she was only four years of age when her mother died and lost her father six years later. Those who knew her in her mature years speak of her as a very sweet person. The children of Campbell and Letty Henderson Sheddman are:

a Jane Ann	b January	22, 1850
b Emely	b September	14, 1851
c Nancy Malinda	b December	27, 1852
d James Henderson	b May	21, 1855
b Emely	d January	9, 1852

a. JANE ANN SHEDDAN, oldest child of Campbell and Letty Henderson Sheddman, was born Jan. 22, 1850. She died Aug. 31, 1914 at Maryville, Tennessee, and is buried in Magnolia Cemetery. She married Maj. Ben Cunningham Sept. 12, 1867. He was born Dec. 10, 1840 in the vicinity of upper Nail's Creek in Blount County, Tennessee and died at Maryville, Tenn. Jan. 8, 1914. He is buried beside his wife. He was the son of Ben, Sr., and Sarah Kirkpatrick Cunningham. More of this record will be given later.

Maj. Ben Cunningham was left an orphan at an early age. His mother died when he was only five years of age and his father died when he was only nine years old. He was reared at the home of his sister, Mrs. Nancy Davis at Maryville. This home was about where the Anderson Lumber Company is now located. He also lived in his younger days in the vicinity of the present Wilkinson Store about two miles from Maryville, on the Wilkinson road.

He was educated in the county schools and was attending Maryville College at the outbreak of the Civil War. In this conflict (1860-65) he made a distinguished record. Major McTeer mentioned in his autobiography that Major Ben Cunningham with Samuel W. Pickens and Levator Weir were authorized to raise Company A of the 3rd Tennessee Cavalry and that Major Ben (then a private) returned home to gather recruits for this new unit. From the War Department record these facts were gleaned concerning him. He was enrolled March 8, 1862 and mustered into service April 24, 1862 as a private of Co. A, 6th Tennessee Infantry to serve three years. He left this company Sept. 1, 1862 to accept a commission as 1st Lt. of Co. A, 3rd Tennessee Cavalry and was mustered into this service Nov. 15, 1862. He became Capt. of this



Company on July 19, 1864, was mustered into service as Major, Field and Staff, 3rd Tennessee Cavalry. He received a severe shoulder wound in the battle of Sulphur Trestle, Alabama in the Fall of 1861. Major McTeer said that at this battle, Col. Lathrop was killed, Col. John B. Minnis who took his place was wounded and that Maj. Cunningham as the next ranking officer assumed command, when he also was wounded. He resigned from the service June 21, 1865. This separation from the service was honorable.

At the close of the war he returned to Blount County, married and purchased the Cunningham place of his father at Nail's Creek. This was in Dec. 1867. Here the family lived until 1882 when they moved to Maryville. Their children except Ben were born while they lived on the farm. Major Ben continued the operation of the farm some years after coming to Maryville.

He was a public-spirited citizen and served the public well. He was elected to serve as County Court Clerk of Blount County from January, 1881 to August, 1902, a period of twenty-one years. He resigned to accept the position as Treasurer of Maryville College in 1900, which position he filled with much honor and credit until his death in 1914.

He was a member of the originators of the Bank of Maryville and his name was on its charter. This Bank grew out of a need chiefly for a bank closer than Knoxville for Maryville College to do its banking. Rev. P. M. Bartlett was the first President and Major McTeer was the Vice-President.

Major Cunningham was a valuable member and deacon of the New Providence Presbyterian Church in Maryville. He was chairman of the Building Committee, which erected the present church. As a Christian gentlemen, a dependable citizen of good judgment, a man of character and integrity, he had a wide influence and his memory is greatly revered.

The Cunningham home was noted for its congenial atmosphere. Young people were welcomed and treasured alike the memory of a special invitation or the enjoyment of an unexpected call. In her quiet way, Mrs. Cunningham not only was a good Christian mother and homemaker but served well in her influence with those outside her home whose lives she touched.

The children of Major Ben and Jane Sheddan Cunningham are:

1 Edwin Sheddan	b July	6, 1868
2 Willie	b July	6, 1870
3 Nina	b July	30, 1871
4 Campbell Sheddan	b November	21, 1873
5 Letty	b April	10, 1876
6 Clay	b August	1, 1879
7 Ben	b November	24, 1885
2 Willie	d July	12, 1870
3 Nina	d July	13, 1899
5 Letty	d June	8, 1882

1. EDWIN SHEDDAN CUNNINGHAM, Consul-general, was born while his parents were living on Nail's Creek. He spent his early life on the farm coming to Maryville when fourteen years of age. He is a distinguished

American and listed in the American Who's Who. The following information was copied from that book.

"He received his A.B. from Maryville College in 1889 and an honorary degree of L.L.B. from that Institution in 1932. He received the degree of L.L.B. from the University of Michigan in 1893. He received an honorary degree from that Institution in 1938.

"He was admitted to the bar in Michigan and Tennessee in 1893. He practiced at Maryville, Tenn., as the firm of Cates and Cunningham for two years. He was admitted to the U.S. Court for China in 1916. He was the American Consul at Aden, Arabia 1898-1901, at Bergen, Norway 1901-06, at Durban, Natal S. Africa 1906-10, at Bombay, India, 1910-12. He was Consul-general at Singapore, Straits Settlements 1912-14; at Hankow, China 1914-19; at Shanghai, China 1919-35. He retired Dec. 1935.

"He was designated (1920) by Colleagues to represent consular body on board of the Governor's Gen. Hosp. and 1921 was on the Pilot Board, resigning the latter position to accept the invitation to join the Court of Consuls and became Senior-Consul, May, 1926.

"He served as chairman of various Consular body units in negotiation with the Chinese authorities concerning local matters, notably the rendition of the Mixed Court, Extra Settlement, Road Question, Trade Marks, etc. He was chairman of the Joint Committee to implement the Sino-Japanese agreement of May 5, 1932. By executive order of March 3, 1933 he was retained on active duty for a period not in excess of five years from July 6, 1933. He retired in December, 1935.

"He has been twice decorated by the Chinese Government. He was awarded the Wen Fu decoration, 3rd class 1922. He received the Red Cravat with White and Blue Border of Order of Jade 1936.

"He was a member of Rotary Club, American U. of China, Shanghai Golf, Shanghai Race, International Race and has a life membership in the American and Shanghai Columbia Country Club."

Upon the retirement of Consul-general Cunningham a Knoxville paper gave this tribute. "He distinguished himself in the Shanghai crisis of 1932, when the Japanese army invaded the city" . . . From a Chinese paper sent to a friend, Charles T. Cates of Knoxville, this excerpt was included in the article. "Ever since he was transferred to China 22 years ago, he has consistently worked for co-operation, not only between the Chinese and Americans alone, but among all people of all nationalities of this cosmopolitan city." The paper also quoted Mayor Wil Te-chen as calling Mr. Cunningham, "my real friend, a friend in need."

Mr. Cunningham married Elizabeth Rhoda Israel in London, England, Nov. 14, 1911. She died at Hangchow, China, March, 1934.

Mr. Cunningham lives the quiet life of retirement in the old Cunningham home of his boyhood in Maryville, Tennessee. His opinions are valued, especially in regard to questions of international importance. He is an interesting conversationalist and it is a profitable pastime to engage in conversation with him.



He has many trophies and relics of his life abroad.

3. NINA CUNNINGHAM, third child of Maj. Ben and Jane Sheddan Cunningham, was reared at the home in Maryville, Tennessee. She attended the public schools and graduated at Maryville College. She was an excellent young woman. An illness cut her life short and she died July 13, 1899. She is buried in Magnolia Cemetery.

4. CAMPBELL CUNNINGHAM, fourth child of Major Ben and Jane Sheddan Cunningham lived in Maryville until his adulthood. He was educated in the city schools and graduated at Maryville College. He married Cornelia Doran Feb. 1, 1899. After his marriage the home was at Knoxville, Tenn., where he was a tree surgeon. His wife operated a dress shop for many years. He died May 6, 1932 and is buried at Magnolia Cemetery at Maryville. His wife died in April 1948 and is buried beside her husband. Their children are:

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| (a) Charles Edwin | b May  | 6, 1900  |
| (b) William Lake  | b June | 14, 1902 |

(a). CHARLES EDWIN CUNNINGHAM, married Gladys Jeannette Hankle June 6, 1923. He attended Maryville College for two years. He lived in Knoxville, where he was a bookkeeper. He died Oct. 23, 1940 and is buried at Magnolia. There were no descendents.

(b). WILLIAM LAKE CUNNINGHAM married and lives in Sidney, Ohio. He is a tree surgeon. There are two children:

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| (1) Iris | (2) Ida Ann |
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6. CLAY CUNNINGHAM, sixth child of Maj. Ben and Jane Sheddan Cunningham, was educated in the City schools and graduated at Maryville College. He lived at Maryville for some years after his marriage, where he was a realtor. The family home is now at Lakeland, Florida, where he was engaged in the furniture business. He married Grace Maud Hunt Oct. 19, 1904. Her father was Rev. Hunt, a Presbyterian minister of the Holston College section of Blount County, Tenn. Mrs. Cunningham was a graduate of Maryville College. The family have always been members and supporters of the Presbyterian church. Clay Cunningham died in January, 1944. His widow resides at Lakeland, Florida. The child of Clay and Maud Hunt Cunningham is:

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| (a) Mac Hunt | b August | 4, 1905 |
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(a). MAC CUNNINGHAM spent his early years in Maryville. He graduated from a University in Ohio. He now lives in Florida where he is engaged in the furniture business at Lakeland. He married Pauline Fisher May 31, 1928. Their children are:

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|-------------------|------------|----------|
| (1) Betty Pauline | b May      | 20, 1929 |
| (2) Sally Ann     | b November | 1, 1931  |
| (3) Mac Hunt, Jr. | b January  | 23, 1936 |

7. BEN CUNNINGHAM, seventh child of Maj. and Jane Sheddan Cunningham, was reared and has always made his home in Maryville. He was educated in the City Schools and attended Maryville College. He has been engaged in Real Estate and for several years has been connected with Maryville furniture stores. He and his family are supporters of New Providence Presbyterian

Church. He married Kitty Luella Allen Sept. 17, 1919. She was born March 20, 1886 and was the daughter of John and Elizabeth Reser Allen of Greene County, Tennessee. She had three years at Maryville College. The children of Ben and Kitty Luella Allen Cunningham are:

(a) Ben Allen	b August	22, 1920
(b) Nina Marie	b October	4, 1922

(a). BEN ALLEN CUNNINGHAM was reared in Maryville, Tenn. He graduated from the University of Tennessee and has an M.A. from Peabody College, Nashville. He was in the Army in the Infantry division of World War II for a period of two and one-half years. He is now Superintendent of the City Schools at Rogersville, Tenn. He married Margaret Graham Proffitt June 18, 1947. She is the daughter of Harry H. and Lelia Graham Proffitt of Maryville. The marriage was solemnized in the New Providence Presbyterian Church at Maryville. Margaret is a graduate of Maryville College and was Home Demonstration Agent at Murfreesboro before her marriage. Ben Allen and Margaret have a child:

(1) Nancy Carolyn	b August	30, 1949
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(b) NINA CUNNINGHAM has resided in Maryville all her life. She attended Maryville College and graduated from Draughon's Business College at Knoxville, Tenn. She is employed at an Electric Company.

c. NANCY MELINDA SHEDDAN, third child of Campbell and Letty Henderson Sheddin, was born Dec. 27, 1852 in Blount County, Tennessee. She died Jan. 11, 1909 and is buried at New Prospect Cemetery. She married William G. McCall Dec. 18, 1879. He was born May 12, 1853 and died Feb. 23, 1907. He is buried beside his wife. He was the son of Samuel and Eliza McFarland McCall, who lived on what is now the Chapman Highway and owned much land. This property was in the region of New Prospect Presbyterian Church.

William G. McCall taught school for some years, then gave his attention to his farm situated on the Island Home Highway, in Knox County, Tennessee. Here the children of this family were born and reared. He was an elder and Sunday School Superintendnet in the New Prospect Presbyterian Church for many years. The children of William and Nancy Sheddin McCall are:

1 Anna Lee	b February	24, 1881
2 Letty Grace	b September	22, 1882
3 Mary Jane	b December	12, 1884
4 Raymond Sheddin	b March	26, 1895

1. ANNA LEE McCALL graduated from the Preparatory Department of Maryville College. She taught school for four years coming home to assume family responsibilities. She taught Sunday School classes in New Prospect Presbyterian Church for as long as forty years. She was an officer in the Women's Missionary Society at various times and was Secretary of Literature of Union Presbyterial for two years. She and her sister still live at the home on Island Home Pike.

2. LETTY GRACE McCALL attended Preparatory school at Maryville



College. She was active in all church and Sunday School work. She was the first secretary of the New Prospect Missionary Society. She died March 13, 1912 and is buried at New Prospect. She married William Alexander Hooper Sept. 21, 1910. Their child is:

(a) Robert McCall      b December      20, 1911

(a). ROBERT McCALL HOOPER married a second time Rosemary Fourman Nov. 10, 1948. There are no descendents.

3 MARY JANE McCALL (Jennie), graduated from the Preparatory Department of Maryville College and had part of the Freshman year. She taught several years in public schools and worked in the Registrar's Office at Maryville College. She worked for the War Department in World War I at Washington, D. C., and at Atlanta, Georgia. She worked fourteen years for the Tennessee Valley Authority. She has been active in the work of New Prospect Church as Sunday School teacher, Superintendent of the Elementary Departments and active in the work of the Business and Professional Circles of the Missionary Society.

4. RAYMOND SHEDDAN McCALL graduated from Central High School at Fountain City and had three years at the University of Tennessee. He was sent home from service in World War I to farm. He continued to do farm and dairy work for several years. He was assistant secretary at the Railroad Y.M.C.A. at Knoxville for two years. He was bookkeeper and Credit manager for a clothing company. He has been Office Manager for Kern's Bakery since 1936. He has always been active in the work of New Prospect Church. He was elected elder before he was 21 and has been re-elected several times. He is now Superintendent of the church school. He was appointed by Union Presbytery to work for and organize the young people of Union Presbyterial. That organization is now called Westminster Fellowship. He was a Commissioner of General Assembly from Union Presbytery in 1936. He married Mamie Clive Woody July 10, 1934, who was born July 16, 1898. She was the daughter of Eugene and Alice Woody. The home of Raymond and Mamie McCall is in a house on the old home place. Their child is:

(a) Nancy Alice      b November      28, 1936

d. JAMES HENDERSON SHEDDAN, fourth child of Campbell and Letty Henderson Sheddans, was born May 21, 1855 at the Nail's Creek home of his parents and other ancestral Sheddans. He died Dec. 2, 1924 and is buried at Eusebia Cemetery. He lived at the place of his birth and tended the acres long held by his forebears. He was a good citizen of the community and a faithful life-long member of Eusebia Church.

He married Nancy Ellen Cunningham Dec. 22, 1881. She was born Aug. 19, 1863 and died Jan. 11, 1948. She was the daughter of A. P. and Mary Cowden Cunningham, who were married Nov. 23, 1859 by M. Kounts, J. P. (Parham record). Her father was born July 24, 1835 and died Dec. 16, 1863. Her mother was born Feb. 16, 1836 and died Dec. 16, 1863. Mary Cowden Cunningham married a second time, James Anderson, Oct. 24, 1867. A. C. Hafley, Security. A. C. Hinton, J. P. James Anderson was born Nov. 8, 1816 and died May 25, 1876. All are buried at Eusebia. Nancy Ellen Cunningham was reared in the section near where she spent her married life. She

was faithful to her home, church and community throughout the period of her long life. The children of James and Ellen Cunningham Sheddan are:

1 Letty May	b October	1, 1882
2 Lillian Ethel	b February	7, 1885
3 Grace	b September	22, 1887
4 Katherine Belle	b December	2, 1890

1. LETTY MAY SHEDDAN attended Maryville College and for many years has been a teacher in the City school system at Knoxville, Tenn.

2. LILLIAN SHEDDAN attended Maryville College and taught for some years. She lives at the old home and is a great help to the Eusebia Church, active in the Sunday School, Missionary Society and other work of the church.

3. GRACE SHEDDAN attended Maryville College and for a number of years and has been employed as a secretary at Knoxville, Tenn. She is now employed at the Tennessee Inspection Bureau. She married Joseph Nicholas Sharp July 16, 1923. He was born Feb. 24, 1877 and died July 9, 1928. He is buried at Eusebia. Grace and her sister May live in Knoxville.

4. KATHERINE BELLE SHEDDAN attended Maryville College and lives with her sister at the home place. She has been a faithful member of Eusebia Church.

III. NANCY HENDERSON, third child of Frank and Jean Pickens Henderson, was born Aug. 27, 1815 in Blount County, Tennessee. She died Aug. 15, 1886 in Dalton, Georgia and is buried near Dalton. She married John N. Bogle Aug. 29, 1839, who was born April 2, 1808 and died in 1844. He is buried beside his wife. The information of this family was sent by a grandson, Walter Bogle of Dalton, Georgia. The children of John and Nancy Sheddan Bogle are:

a Jane E.	b June	16, 1840
b Joseph	b July	16, 1843

a. JANE E. BOGLE married S. C. Dillard. She died in 1890.

b JOSEPH BOGLE died March 30, 1920. He married (1) Louisa Langley who died in 1881. Their children are:

1 Bereta	b October	1869
2 John	b January	25, 1871
3 Fred H.	b May	17, 1873
4 Lenn G.	b June	1875
5 Joseph E.	b September	1877
6 William C.	b March	1881
2 John	d	1899
3 Fred H.	d	1923
6 William C.	d	1938

Joseph Bogle married (2) Christiana N. Scott Sept. 25, 1884. She died Dec. 25, 1924. Their children are:

7 Walter	b December	8, 1885
8 Grace	b April	22, 1890





Mrs. James C. Sheddan (Letitia Hannah Henderson), daughter of Frank and Jean Pickens Henderson.



Major and Mrs. Ben Cunningham, Maryville, Tenn.  
Mrs. Cunningham (Jane Sheddan), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Sheddan.







He is described by his children as being about five feet and eight inches tall and to have had brown eyes, called "eagle eyes" by some. He taught school and lived on a farm near Dalton, Georgia, where all the children were born. He married Varissa Jane Ault Feb. 10, 1848. She was born Aug. 14, 1831 and died Dec. 8, 1922, exactly 25 years from the date of her husband's death. She is buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of Henry and Sarah Jones Ault. The children of John Pickens and Varissa Jane Ault Henderson are:

a Francis Patton	b March	15, 1849
b Mary Elizabeth	b December	29, 1850
c William Wiley	b January	11, 1853
d Sarah Letitia	b March	11, 1855
e Henry Clay	b October	7, 1857
f Jane	b March	9, 1860
g Lily	b November	17, 1862
h John Ault	b April	22, 1866
i Charles Joseph	b July	4, 1868
j Oliver Clifton	b October	31, 1870
k Paul Sidney	b August	1, 1875
d Sarah Letitia	d October	20, 1862
h John Ault	d May	22, 1898

1 Edna L.	b	about 1880
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(a) Dora	b April	20, 1902
(b) Elsie	b April	21, 1903
(c) Lamar	b August	1, 1906
(d) Ruth	b March	15, 1910
(e) John Sr.	b November	18, 1912
(f) Edna Gene	b March	25, 1919
(g) James	b October	7, 1921

b. MARY ELIZABETH HENDERSON, second child of John P. and Jane Ault Henderson was born Dec. 29, 1850. She died Jan. 31, 1897 at Chattanooga, Tenn. She is buried near Dalton, Georgia. Her daughter writes

of her. "She was a midwife besides being a mother to a daughter. She was a great humanitarian, helped a great many destitute families, giving to the poor and doing without herself."

Mary Elizabeth Henderson married L. W. Brown June 6, 1882. He was born Jan. 30, 1824 at Lorraine, New York. He died Jan. 18, 1908 in Waring, Georgia. He is buried in Blue Earth City, Minn. His daughter wrote of him. "He worked many years for Thurber Bros., a confectionary concern in Syracuse, N. Y. He then went to Minnesota and was a wheat farmer, then came south and bought a farm in a Georgia. He was president of the Agricultural Society of Prescott. In a Patrons of Husbandry meeting at Blue Earth City, Minnesota, he was honored as 'Master'." I presume that is a title similar to that of "Master Farmer" given in Tennessee to outstanding farmers.

The only child of L. W. and Mary E. Henderson Brown is:

1 Florence May                      b December      19, 1894

1. FLORENCE MAY BROWN married Albert C. Steward Oct. 26, 1902. He died October 24, 1925, and was buried on the 23rd anniversary of their marriage. Facts of his life as sent by the family are that he was 1st Sgt. of 8th Cavalry in the Spanish American War, spent three years in service, serving in Cuba, he was a policeman for 15 years and was killed while on duty.

Left with six boys and a girl, Florence May Steward met the situation with courage and devotion to her family. She writes that she survived it and kept her children together. She took a job "in the Police Station May 4, 1927 and held that position as a cleaner until January, 1950, having kept busy far beyond the necessary period of her children's need." At this time she resigned at sixty-five years of age. So many times in the search for family records I have been greatly moved by the courage shown in the midst of much hardship and surely there can be no greater love and loyalty than that shown by such pluck and determination. The daughter wrote of her mother's sacrifices and said that she surely did deserve much credit "for a beautiful job raising a large family without a father or a helper." She lives now in Philadelphia, Penn., from where the record of her parents and her own family was sent. The children of A. C. and Florence May Steward are:

(a) Lorenzo William	b October	13, 1903
(b) Albert Charles, Jr.	b December	11, 1905
(c) Edwin Oliver	b September	2, 1908
(d) Raymond	b June	19, 1911
(e) Florence May	b May	16, 1914
(f) Carlton	b June	27, 1915
(g) Richard	b July	4, 1920

(a). LORENZO STEWARD was born in Waring, Georgia. He spent some time in the Navy. He finished High School with honors and is now a grinder finisher. He married Frances M. Barynas Jan. 2, 1937. She was born April 4, 1901 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The home is at Germantown, Pa. Their child is:

(1) David C.                      b January      26, 1938

(b). ALBERT CHARLES STEWARD, Jr., was born in Waring, Geor-



gia. He finished High School and has had his own business in roofing for 20 years. He is a Mason. He married Mary I. Benson November 10, 1928. She was born March 1, 1907. The home is Front Street, Pa. There are no descendants.

(c). EDWIN OLIVER STEWARD was born in Waring, Georgia. He is a machine grinder. He married Helen Davies Sept. 18, 1935. She was born Jan. 21, 1914. Their children are:

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| (1) Helen F. | b August | 17, 1936 |
| (2) Edward   | b July   | 1, 1939  |

(d). RAYMOND STEWARD was born in Philadelphia, Pa. He is single and employed in Philadelphia.

(e). FLORENCE MAY STEWARD was born in Philadelphia, Pa., and her home is still there. She married Mark Hammel Aug. 19, 1938. She says of him. "He is a member of the Masonic Order. He has been a motorman on a trolley car for six years. Prior to that he served five and one-half years in the army, nineteen months of which was spent overseas. He received the Good Conduct Medal, Certificate of Merit, 5 Battle Stars on Ribbon and was discharged as Staff Sergeant."

She says of herself, that she had a High School education and has been engaged in Sunday School work as secretary for several years. Also worked as a substitute teacher and worked at the Galilee Mission for colored girls, for two years. She has been a leader of a group of 25 girl Brownie Scouts for a year. She was a nurse for five years at the Graduate Hospital. The children of Mark and Florence Hammel are:

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| (1) Ronald Richard | b August | 13, 1939 |
| (2) Marcia Lee     | b March  | 31, 1944 |

(f) CARLTON STEWARD was born in Philadelphia, Pa. He is single and has been maintenance man in a factory for two years. He served three years and eight months in the Army in World War II with 23 months overseas. He received the Good Conduct Medal for service E.T.O. and the ribbon with five battle stars.

(g). RICHARD STEWARD had a High School education. He served in the Coast Guard for ten years and eight months. He is now in the Insurance business. He received a service pin from the Prudential Insurance Company for selling the most policies. He is "a good conscientious worker. He has a beautiful voice and gets job offers for singing at big events in Massachusetts." He married Mary Silva April 23, 1944. She was born April 18, 1924 in Gloucester, Massachusetts. Their children are:

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| (1) Mary F.     | b February | 16, 1945 |
| (2) Richard Jr. | b July     | 26, 1946 |
| (3) Christine   | b November | 28, 1949 |

c. WILLIAM WILEY HENDERSON, third child of John P., and Jane Ault Henderson, was born Jan. 11, 1853. He died April 22, 1911 at Fort Valley, Georgia. He is also buried there. He had been manager of the Deitson peach orchards for a long while. He was an officer of the Presbyterian church at Fort Valley. He married Fannie A. Harlan Nov. 27, 1879. She was born

July 31, 1860 and died July 21, 1923. The children of William Wiley and Fannie Harlan Henderson are:

1 Merle Edwin	b January	14, 1881
2 Carl Harlan	b October	5, 1882
3 George Herschel	b August	31, 1884
4 One	b and d in infancy	
5 Ethel Eloise	b March	28, 1888
6 John Conrad	b January	18, 1897
7 William Wendell	b December	31, 1900
3 George Herschel	d	1900

1. MERLE EDWIN HENDERSON died in 1944. He married Eula Hartley in 1906. She was from Fort Valley, Georgia. Their children are:

(a) Marjorie Merle	b	1911
(b) Edwin Franklin	b	1913

(a). MARJORIE HENDERSON married Dr. W. J. Moore. There are no descendants.

(b). EDWIN HENDERSON married Inez Sloan of Moultrie, Georgia. Their children are:

(1) Patricia	b	1942
(2) Edwin	b	1946

2. CARL HARLAN HENDERSON died in 1918. He married Bertie Douglas of Calhoun, Georgia. There are no descendants.

5. ETHEL ELOISE HENDERSON lives at Oglethorpe, Georgia. I have had several letters from her. She sent their record and is much interested in the history. She married William L. Chambliss in 1911. He was from Sumpter County, Georgia. Their child is:

(a) Mildred Eloise	b	1912
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(a). MILDRED ELOISE CHAMBLISS married Palmer R. Cheves in 1935. He was from Montezuma, Georgia. Their child is:

(1) Sanford Palmer	b	1945
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6. JOHN CONRAD HENDERSON died in 1948. He was single. He served in the Army in World War I.

7. WILLIAM WENDELL HENDERSON married Mary Elizabeth Hargrove in 1922. She was from Sumpter County, Georgia. William W. served in the Army in World War I. The home is at Americus, Georgia. There are no descendants.

e. HENRY CLAY HENDERSON, fifth child of John P. and Jane Ault Henderson, was born Oct. 7, 1857. He died Sept. 25, 1886. He was buried at Tunnel Hill, Georgia, where he made his home. He was a farmer and an officer in the Presbyterian Church near his home. He married Mollie Smith Feb. 18, 1880. She was born Aug. 11, 1859 and died in 1917. They had no living descendants but the record of their children is:



1 Charles Conrad	b January	24, 1884
2 Hensie Melvin	b June	14, 1886
1 Charles Conrad	d	1906
2 Hensie Melvin	d December	9, 1919

f. JANE (Jennie) HENDERSON, sixth child of John P. and Jane Ault Henderson was born March 9, 1860. She is living in Chattanooga at the age of ninety years. (1950). I had the privilege of a few hours with her family in the summer. I am still marvelling how any one could possibly have such poise, alertness and physical characteristics at such an advanced age. I got some valuable background history there and leads to some much desired and hitherto unknown records of the William Henderson family. Jane Henderson married James Madison Murray Feb. 17, 1890. He was born Oct. 2, 1859 at Tunnel Hill, Georgia. He died February 7, 1905 and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Chattanooga. He was a railroad man with offices in Chattanooga. The children of James and Jane Henderson Murray are:

1 Nell Sydney	b April	8, 1893
2 John Carlton	b June	18, 1894

1. NELL SYDNEY MURRAY was born at Rising Fawn, Ga. She lives at the family home. For years she has been secretary to the Superintendent of the Water Department of Chattanooga and by reason of the length and quality of service is of indispensable aid to the department.

2. JOHN CARLTON MURRAY was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee where he still lives. He is in the real estate business. He married Eleanor Lampin Williams in September, 1920 at Chattanooga, Tenn. She was born April 11, 1893 at Saddle River, N. J. Their children are:

(a) Mary Eleanor	b July	17, 1921
(b) Betty Jean	b January	23, 1923
(c) Dorothy Louise	b. August	18, 1924

(a) MARY ELEANOR MURRAY married Andrew Lahiere, May 13, 1947. He was born March 1, 1915 at Princeton, N. J. Their child is:

(1) Suzanne Marie b March 1, 1948 at Chattanooga, Tennessee

g. LILY HENDERSON, seventh child of John P. and Jane Ault Henderson, was born Nov. 17, 1862. She married James Anthony Green Williams March 31, 1932. He was born Sept. 27, 1856 and died Aug. 4, 1937. He is buried at Memorial Park in Chattanooga. He worked for the Southern Railway. There are no descendents.

Lily Henderson Williams attended a Pickens Reunion at Eusebia Church one time and many of us remember seeing her then. She lives now with her sister, Mrs. Murry and I enjoyed seeing her again. She has been ill but was so jolly and interested in the history. I am greatly indebted to her for records of the Jean Pickens Henderson history. She has been a big help through the years. She and others of the household are church members and workers in the church that is nearest to them.

i. CHARLES JOSEPH HENDERSON, ninth child of John P. and Jane Ault Henderson, was born July 4, 1868. He died Nov. 1, 1949. He is buried in the Varnell Station Cemetery. He lived near Cohutta on a farm and raised

thousands of chickens on a cooperative basis. I had the privilege of meeting him and his family a few years ago, at their home. He reminded me of cousin Ollie Pickens, son of Robert Pickens. A singular thing is that his sister, Mrs. Murray reminded me very much of Cousin Belle Pickens Hines, a sister to Cousin Ollie.

Charles Henderson also aided in Henderson information and wrote about what he knew or could find out. He was a charter member of the Cohutta Presbyterian Church and an official for many years. He married Clara B. Hamilton Nov. 18, 1896. She was born Dec. 2, 1865 and died May 8, 1947. She is buried beside her husband. The couple celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Nov. 18, 1946.

The children of Charles and Clara Hamilton Henderson are:

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| 1 John Owen    | b December | 9, 1897  |
| 2 Paul Clifton | b August   | 31, 1899 |
| 3 Charles Earl | b December | 2, 1904  |

1. JOHN OWEN HENDERSON married Elizabeth McCord Aug. 18, 1926. She was born Dec. 17, 1902. John Owen graduated from Maryville College, Maryville, Tenn. He is a Chemist and is employed at New Rochelle, N. Y., where the family lives. Their children are:

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| (a) Sara Jane      | b December  | 5, 1927  |
| (b) Joseph Allen   | b September | 24, 1930 |
| (c) Elizabeth Ann  | b January   | 29, 1935 |
| (d) John Owen, Jr. | b January   | 27, 1938 |

2. PAUL CLIFTON HENDERSON married Mildred Mae Bridges Oct. 10, 1922. She was born Jan. 16, 1900. I have had letters of history from his family which has aided in the completion of some Henderson history. The home is at Cohutta, Georgia, where he and his brother Charles Earl Henderson are engaged in business as the "Henderson Feed and Coal Co., Dealer in Feed, Coal and Poultry Equipment." He and his family are good citizens of their neighborhood, aiding in the various church and community activities. The child of Paul and Mildred Mae Bridges Henderson is:

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| (a) Charles Alfred | b June | 28, 1926 |
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3. CHARLES EARL HENDERSON married Sarah Elizabeth McDonald Dec. 6, 1928. She was born Jan. 28, 1908. The home is at Cohutta where they live and have the same connections in business and neighborhood as mentioned above. The child is:

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| (a) Donald Earl | b December | 18, 1933 |
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j. OLIVER CLIFTON HENDERSON, tenth child of John P. and Jane Ault Henderson, was born Oct. 31, 1870. He was a County Road Commissioner and lived near Dalton, Georgia. He died Dec. 29, 1935. He married Maude A. Fagala Dec. 18, 1895. She was born Jan. 1, 1877. Their child is:

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| 1 Ruth Evelyn | b September | 18, 1907 |
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k. PAUL SIDNEY HENDERSON, eleventh child of John P. and Jane Ault Henderson, was born Aug. 1, 1875. He worked for years as a maker of candy and was superintendent in several well known candy establishments. In one of these he perfected an important principle of candy making. He now lives at Signal Mountain, Tenn., where he has his own candy factory near his



home. I sampled some of his candy which was good. He had just had in June 1950, an order for 500 lbs. of candy to be shipped to Birmingham, Ala. He also has always been interested in fruit and has an apple orchard. He is an officer in the Presbyterian church at Chattanooga. He married May Smith Jan. 22, 1903. She was born May 12, 1880. The children of Paul and May Smith Henderson are:

1 Lulu Credelle	b November	17, 1903
2 John Paul	b April	5, 1911

1. LULU CREDELLE HENDERSON married (1) Morgan M. Ferrell Dec. 28, 1924. He died in an airplane accident March 8, 1929. There were no descendents. She married (2) Alex Whittemore Oct. 12, 1930. They have a child.

(a) Douglass Whittemore b July 11, 1938

2. JOHN PAUL HENDERSON married Virginia Elizabeth Simpson July 10, 1935. Their children are:

(a) Ann Credelle	b April	12, 1937
(b) Paul Alexander	b December	21, 1940
(c) John Sidney	b January	26, 1943

## MARY PICKENS MINNIS

D. MARY PICKENS, fourth child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, was born November 25, 1790. Since her sister Sarah was born in Virginia in 1784, it is presumed that Mary was also born in Virginia and probably at Holston, from where the family came to Tennessee in 1795 or 1796. Mary Pickens Minnis died June 16, 1875 in Whitfield County, near Cohutta, Georgia. She is buried in the Harkness Cemetery near there.

She married Samuel Minnis April 8, 1817, in Blount County, Tennessee. He was born January 9, 1790 and was the son of John and Nancy McCammon Minnis, who were from Tyrone, Ireland and came to Blount County, probably, around 1790. Samuel Minnis died in Whitfield County, Georgia, September 2, 1866 and is buried beside his wife.

From Mr. Parham's record the old John Minnis home was first on Pistol Creek near Maryville. From a notation of Tom McMurry, evidently gained from an interview with Mrs. Bonham, (Amanda Minnis), a grand-daughter of Samuel Minnis; "The old Minnis farm was located six miles south of Maryville on Nine Mile Creek, which ran through the center of the farm: the turnpike or road to Tellico Plains being west of the farm: the Henly Terry road was also west of the farm."

It is not known just when the Minnis family left Tennessee and went to Georgia to live. Samuel Minnis and other heirs of John and Nancy McCammon Minnis sold the old Minnis farm in Blount County in 1837. The Samuel Minnis family purchased 160 acres of land on Cohutta Creek in Whitfield County,

Georgia. The above land record was furnished to me by Letitia Pickens, granddaughter of Samuel Minnis.

Not much is known of Samuel Minnis. He appears to have been a farmer throughout his life. From stories of the family we infer that he was honest, industrious and God-fearing. No doubt he was an asset to the communities where he lived.

The life of Mary Pickens Minnis is also one of conjecture but there is one clear picture of her character as well as a portrait of herself. I saw a photograph of her and upon her knee was a large open Bible. A grand-daughter who had the photo remarked that she surely lived by the Bible, too. Those words from one who had known of her life through her mother, express just about all one needs to know about Mary Pickens Minnis. Such a person would have to be honest, industrious, capable and faithful to her household, her community and her church. That she was deeply religious is very apparent and she was undoubtedly a very zealous member of the Eusebia Presbyterian Church and other churches in the neighborhoods where she lived.

As all the children of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis were born by 1837, except the youngest one, it is apparent that all with the possible exception of the youngest child was born in Blount County, Tennessee.

The children of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis are:

I	John	b March 2, 1818
II	James Pickens	b Oct. 26, 1819
III	Susan	b April 30, 1821
IV	Elizabeth Jane	b March 1, 1824
V	Robert Anderson, Dr.	b Feb. 2, 1826
VI	Samuel Alexander	b March 31, 1828
VII	William	b March 20, 1830
VIII	Thomas	b March 18, 1832
IX	Letitia Isabella	b June 5, 1834
X	Mary J.	b Nov. 11, 1839

I. JOHN MINNIS, oldest child of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis was born March 2, 1818. He died July 19, 1878 and is buried at the Cemetery in Madisonville, Tennessee. He lived on a farm near Madisonville, on the road to Hiwasse College and on a Branch which is still called the "Minnis Branch," and from scarce fragments of news about him he must have been kind-hearted and considerate.

He was married three times. The first wife was Elizabeth J. Debusk whom he married October 11, 1838. She died March 5, 1840. He married second, Margaret R. Cheyne. She was born May 31, 1822 and died July 19, 1853. He married third, Mrs. Sarah A. McTeer Everett, from Morganton. She was born May 23, 1822 and died September 12, 1894. All are buried in the cemetery at Madisonville, Tennessee.

The child of John and Elizabeth J. DeBusk Minnis was:

a Mary J.	b Nov. 13, 1839
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a. Mary Minnis was left an orphan at the age of 4 months. She is said to have lived with a grandmother a great deal of the time. I am indebted to



Mrs. C. N. Walker, now deceased, for some vivid pictures of this family. She appears in the record later, and is a grand-daughter of John Minnis.

She says that Mary married a Mr. Taylor. He had a daughter by a previous marriage named Elizabeth. The Taylors had two children — named Quincy and Fanny Taylor. Mr. Taylor was killed by accident. Her life "as a dear little grey haired lady is a most pathetic, and a most interesting one with a beautiful ending." Mary Minnis Taylor died September 12, 1915 and is buried with her husband in the old Sweetwater Cemetery.

Children of John and Margaret Cheyne Minnis are:

b. Susan    b May 31, 1849    c. Tennie    b Sept. 4, 1857

b. Susan Minnis died October 31, 1915 and is buried in the Madisonville Cemetery. She remained single and lived on the homeplace.

c. Tennie Minnis died December 25, 1910. She too, is buried at Madisonville. She married a Mr. Faulkner. There were no children. From Mrs. Walker, "Tennie's life could all be wrapped up in a prayer, a song, and psalms."

Children of John and Mrs. Sarah McTeer Everett Minnis are:

d Ellen	b November	2, 1859
e Hugh	b May	2, 1861

d. ELLEN MINNIS, oldest child of John and Mrs. Sarah Everett Minnis, died May 30, 1920. She married William Dixon and lived on the farm of her father. She and her husband are buried in the Madisonville Cemetery. Her daughter, Mrs. C. N. Walker said of her. "She was a beautiful woman. My father was always proud of her. She was a regular little mother." Mrs. Walker remembered "the fall flowers she gathered, the two hundred songs she could sing through from beginning to end, many of them of love and romance; her jolly laugh, the Easter eggs she colored; the pretty aprons she made. She did not seem to be doing things for us but with us. She was a great narrator; a good housekeeper." She says her father too had a great influence upon the lives of the children. He was self sacrificing, bearing the burdens of the family in every way he could.

The children of William and Ellen Minnis Dixon are:

1 Margaret Ann	b November	18, 1887
2 Hugh Lewis	b October	24, 1890
3 Minnie Minnis	b February	26, 1891
4 Alice	b April	12, 1893
5 Johnnie Ella	b November	3, 1897

1. MARGARET ANN DIXON, oldest child of William and Ellen Minnis Dixon was born at the old John Minnis home where her parents lived. She had her education at Madisonville schools and at Hiwassee College. She completed a course in nursing and from Mrs. Walker's letter I have, "For years she taught school. Later she went to China as a nurse. She remained there for several years and many and strange were her experiences. She has led an unselfish life helping suffering humanity. She also aided her brother's widow and his three children." Margaret is now at the United States Hospital in Tacoma, Washington. She has remained single and has lived a very full and useful life.

2. HUGH LEWIS DIXON, second child of William and Ellen Minnis Dixon was born at the family home near Madisonville. He lived near Sweetwater, Tennessee after his marriage to Frankie Orr June 21, 1916. He died October 19, 1924 and is buried in the Cemetery at Madisonville, Tennessee. The children of Hugh and Frankie Orr Dixon are:

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| (a) James Ellis   | b April    | 1917     |
| (b) Mary Margaret | b February | 28, 1920 |
| (c) Mildred       | b November | 14, 1921 |

(a). JAMES ELLIS DIXON, oldest child of Hugh and Frankie Orr Dixon was born near Sweetwater, Tennessee at the home of his parents. He married Annie ..... July 12, 1943. He was in the Navy in World War II. The family home is at Detroit, Michigan where he is employed.

The children of James and Annie Dixon are:

- (1) a daughter                      (2) a son

(b). MARY MARGARET DIXON, second child of Hugh and Frankie Orr Dixon was reared at the family home near Sweetwater, Tennessee. She married Thomas Monaghan August 1, 1942.

(c). MILDRED ELOISE DIXON, third child of Hugh and Frankie Orr Dixon was born at the family home near Sweetwater, Tennessee. She married Clifford Trudell June 10, 1943.

3. MINNIE DIXON, third child of William and Ellen Minnis Dixon was born at the home of her parents near Madisonville, Feb. 26, 1891. She attended the public schools at Madisonville and Hiwassee College. She married Clinton A. Walker of Mt. Vernon, Georgia May 27, 1918. He died several years ago and is buried "under some beautiful pines in South Georgia," near Lyons.

At the time I heard from her she was living in Anchorage, Ky. She died in 1945 at Richmond, Virginia. The body was brought to Knoxville for services and interment was at Madisonville, Tennessee. She wrote a wonderful letter with sketches of various members of the family, which material I am using in this family history.

The child of Clinton and Minnie Minnis Dixon Walker is:

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| (a) Mariella | b March | 29, 1919 |
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(a). MARIELLA WALKER was born at Mt. Vernon, Georgia. She graduated from the Teachers College in Bowling Green, Ky., and married Lamont Andrews in 1945. The home is in Hampton, Va. Their child is:

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| (1) Carol | b October | 1946 |
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4. ALICE DIXON, fourth child of William and Ellen Minnis Dixon was born at the family home near Madisonville April 12, 1893. She was educated at the schools of Madisonville and at Hiwassee College. She taught school for some years and was teaching at Englewood, Tennessee when she met her husband Ben G. Dickson whom she married April 7, 1917. He was employed with the railroad at Englewood. He is now a dispatcher with the same road at Knoxville, Tennessee. Alice Dixon Dickson has been employed for a number of years at Dunlap's at Knoxville, Tennessee.



The children of Ben and Alice Dixon Dickson are:

(a) Ben C., Jr.,	b February	17, 1918
(b) Ruth	b January	21, 1922
(c) Doris	b April	18, 1924
(d) Joyce	b April	2, 1926

(a). BEN DICKSON, oldest child of Ben and Alice Dickson was born at Athens, Tennessee. He had his high school education at Englewood. He married Opal Webb of Madisonville, Feb. 15, 1937. He is a rural mail carrier from Athens, Tennessee and the family home is at Englewood. Their children are:

(1) Judith Marie	b April	18, 1939
(2) James Lynton	b August	28, 1942

(b). RUTH DICKSON, second child of Ben and Alice Dickson was born at Englewood, Tennessee. She had her high school education at Jellico and one year at Maryville College. She married William Haltz Overly of Maryville, Tennessee, June 4, 1941. He was born July 11, 1922 in Wheeling, West Virginia. He is the son of Lloyd and Lela Brown Overly, of Maryville. He had one year at Maryville College and was in the Navy during World War II. He is employed with his father in Sheet Metal work. The home is at Maryville where the family is connected with the work of the Presbyterian church. The children of Bill and Ruth Overly are:

(1) Jackie Ann	b December	31, 1942
(2) William Richard	b February	15, 1944

(c). DORIS DICKSON, third child of Ben and Alice Dickson was born at Englewood, Tennessee. She had her high school work at Jellico and one year at Johnson City State Teachers College. She married George W. Ellison, Jr., of Jellico, in Lenoir City, Tennessee, May 23, 1942. He is a mortician at Jellico where the family live. Their children are:

(1) Nancy Alice	b August	8, 1944
(2) Donna Jane	b March	13, 1948

(d). JOYCE DICKSON, fourth child of Ben and Alice Dickson was born at Englewood, Tennessee. She is a graduate of Central High School at Knoxville, Tennessee and Marion Junior College and of the Professional Institute of William and Mary College in Richmond, Virginia. She married Martin L. Greenwood, Jr. July 30, 1948. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Greenwood, Sr., of Marion, Virginia. He was in the Air Corps during World War II. He graduated from William and Mary where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and Eta Sigma Phi fraternities.

The wedding took place at the Lutheran Church in Marion, Virginia, where they now live. They have no children. Joyce teaches in the Junior High School and her husband is engaged in the Real Estate and Insurance business.

5. JOHNNIE ELLA DIXON, fifth child of William and Ellen Dixon, was born at the home of her parents on the John Minnis farm near Madisonville, November 3, 1897. She attended Madisonville High School and graduated from the Academic Department of the Normal School at Johnson City,

Tennessee. She has taught school for many years, most of the time in the elementary department of the Fountain City schools. She married Angelo Glenn Haggard Sept. 29, 1920. He was in the Navy in World War I. He is employed as a salesman with the Sequoyah Market Enterprise. He is an elder of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, of which all the family are members. The home is in Knoxville and their child is:

(a) Margaret Matilda    b August        15, 1922

(a) MARGARET HAGGARD attended Maryville College for one year. She took a business course and worked for T.V.A. for two years. She then entered the University of Tennessee and graduated in 1947. She married Everett James Fisher in 1947. He served three years in World War II. He received his Master's degree from the University of Tennessee in 1948. He taught one year at the Teachers College at Johnson City. He is now connected with the Veterans Guidance Department of the University of Tennessee. The home is at Fountain City, Tennessee and their children are:

(1) Everett James, Jr.	b	1948
(2) Glenn Ellis	b	1950

e. HUGH MINNIS, second child of John and Mrs. Sarah Everett Minnis was born at the Minnis home a few miles from Madisonville, May 2, 1861. He married a lady from Chattanooga a few years before his death. He died in 1917 and is buried at Madisonville, Tennessee.

Mrs. Walker wrote of an incident concerning him. "I remember how once when he was at work in Chattanooga as a young man Small Pox had broken out there. They placed his boarding house under quarantine. He and his second cousin, Oscar Minnis escaped from the house. The deputy at Madisonville was advised that the boys were gone. All night they guarded the Minnis home. At dawn the boys were heard whistling in the grove. They had gotten off the train at Sweetwater and walked the 10 miles through the knobs until they reached home. The boys were placed in a tent and guarded by a man who had had Small Pox. Then they were moved to a tenant house as snow was on the ground. The house was to be burned in the event the boys had Small Pox but fortunately they didn't."

The third wife of John Minnis, Mrs. Everett, had two little girls of her own at the time of the Minnis marriage. Their names were Elvira and Minerva Everett. In the light of their relationship to the Minnis family something should be said of them. Elvira was born July 20, 1842 and died April 23, 1928, at the age of 86. She is buried at the Madisonville Cemetery. Mrs. Walker said of her. "I could tell how she taught 61 years — how she lived to be 86, how three-fourths of the people at her funeral had been her pupils. She taught first grade in the same school for 35 years. She lived a life of love and sacrifice, never thinking of herself. I could tell of how three little orphans were her charge — how she had her invalid mother to care for."

Minerva Everett, from Mrs. Walker's sketch was a great beauty and used to take beauty prizes at the Fair. She married Theonda Smith. They had three girls, Vallie, Bertie, and Nellie. The mother died early and then the father. It was these girls whom their Aunt Elvira took to herself raising and finding suitable places for them.



Mrs. Walker said of the Minnis household: "Let me say that my grandfather was a wise and a good man. So was my grandmother a good woman. She gave what money she had to my grandfather. He took her two little girls as his own. Mary the oldest child 11 years old, Tennie and Susan, his little girls and Elvira and Minerva her little girls were all put together. Often I have heard them speak so fondly of pa and ma. They did not seem to know the difference. Two old step-sisters Susan Minnis and Elvira Everett lived together most devotedly for years." She said the older ones also welcomed the coming of the later children, Hugh and Ellen, to the Minnis home and made pets of them.

To my mind John Minnis and his family deserve some sort of a medal in family relationship. That a family of seven children with two different fathers and three mothers in the varying relationships of brother-sister, step-sisters and step-brother and half-brother and sisters, could live together amicably and happily is a wondrous thing and speaks much for the heredity and training of the home to say nothing of the character of those involved.

II. JAMES PICKENS MINNIS, second child of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis was born Oct. 26, 1819. He died Sept. 2, 1854 and is buried at the Cemetery at Madisonville. He married Sophrony Cheyne who was born Sept. 13, 1826 and died May 26, 1896. She is buried beside her husband.

James and Sophrony Minnis had these children:

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|----------------|------------|---------|
| a Samuel Young | b December | 8, 1843 |
| b John         |            |         |
| c Esther       |            |         |
| d James P.     |            |         |

a. SAMUEL YOUNG MINNIS, son of James and Sophrony Cheyne Minnis was born at Madisonville, Tenn., and lived there all his life. He died Jan. 14, 1912 and he and his wife are buried in the Cemetery there. He married Martha Calfie October 8, 1867. She was born Feb. 7, 1848 and died July 4, 1923. In some history from Monroe County at the Library at Knoxville, Tennessee, I found that Samuel Young said that he was of Irish descent and that at one time he was a blacksmith. Said his father died when he was very young and he supported his mother and four children — his brothers and sisters. He was in the Civil War as a Union soldier and was an attorney at Madisonville. A fragmentary record of the several children of Samuel Young and Martha Calfie Minnis was sent to me by Mr. George F. Minnis of Madisonville. He also answered questions and was of aid in the older Minnis record. The children of Samuel Young and Martha Calfie Minnis as he gave them are:

1. MELINDA KATURA MINNIS, born Oct. 3, 1868, died March 30, 1922, and married Oct. 30, 1891 John Pardue.

2. JAMES M. MINNIS, was born April 12, 1870 and was living at Ault, Colo. He married Lulu Jackson in Missouri.

3. GEORGE F. MINNIS, was born Oct. 26, 1871. He died July 14, 1945 and is buried at Madisonville. He had always lived there and was a retired mail carrier at the time of his death, having served in that capacity for

32 years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge. In his obituary notice, brothers and sisters of his who were living were listed as: Mrs. Charles L. Taylor, Johnson City, Tennessee, Mrs. Wiley McGhee of Graybull, Wyoming, Oscar R. Minnis, Rome, Georgia, Henry and John of Graybull, Wyoming; Dr. F. A. Minnis of Phoenix, Arizona; J. A. of Ault, Colorado and Wright of Long Beach, California. He married (1) Nellie Matlock, Dec. 8, 1898. She was born May 20, 1871 in McMinn County and died Dec. 26, 1901. The children of George F. and Nellie Matlock Minnis are:

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| (a) Louise | b July     | 22, 1900 |
| (b) G. N.  | b December | 15, 1901 |

(a) LOUISE MINNIS was born at Madisonville, Tennessee. She graduated from High school there. She married Henry Clay Hart April 10, 1923 in Johnson City, Tennessee. The home is at Johnson City where Louise Hart is hostess of the Presbyterian Church and a graduate of State Teacher's College, her husband is a deacon and all are active in church work. Mr. Hart is a veteran of World War I and is an accountant. Their child is:

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| (1) Clara Minnis | b October | 23, 1924 |
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(1). CLARA MINNIS HART graduated from Science Hill High School in Johnson City and had two years at the State College there. She married Carl Wheeler Doss Dec. 30, 1943. He is a graduate of E.T.S.T.C. at Johnson City. He was in World War II and is employed with the C.C. and O. Railroad. The home is at St. Paul, Va. Their children are:

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|--------------|-------------|---------|
| i Linda Jo   | b September | 3, 1945 |
| ii Carla Ann | b June      | 7, 1949 |

(b) G. N. MINNIS was born at Madisonville, Tennessee. He is married and lives at Long Beach, California. He married about 1930 and there is a child:

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| (1) James Edward | b April | 4, 1940 |
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George F. Minnis, Sr., married (2) Esther Mason June 30, 1909. She was born Nov. 25, 1882 and since her husband's death makes her home at Rockwood, Tennessee with her sister, Mrs. Hugh Hicks. Mrs. Hart gave me this later information and the record of herself and brother in the foregoing lines. The children of G. N. and Esther Mason Minnis, Sr., are:

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|------------------------|-----------|----------|
| (a) William Mason, Dr. | b May     | 24, 1912 |
| (b) George F., Jr.     | b October | 13, 1914 |

(a) WILLIAM M. MINNIS married Lillie Belle Barr of Fort Smith, Arkansas. He is a dentist and was in Los Angeles, California a few years ago. At the time of his father's death he was in the U. S. Army at Manila. Their child is:

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| (1) John William | b October | 6, 1940 |
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(b) GEORGE F., JR., is in the U. S. Army at Laredo, Texas.

4. FRANK A. MINNIS, DR., was born May 12, 1873. He married Nannie Shedd and died in Oregon.

5. GUILFORD Y. MINNIS was born Dec. 21, 1874 and died in infancy.



6. HESTER A. MINNIS was born Jan. 13, 1877, married Wilry McGhee Nov. 5, 1901 and was living at Greybull, Wyoming.

7. HORACE N. MINNIS was born Feb. 8, 1879, married Daisy Carter and was living in Pittsburg, Tennessee.

8. OSCAR R. MINNIS was born Jan. 14, 1881, married Margaret Johnson from Chattanooga and was living at Rome, Georgia.

9. OREN WRIGHT MINNIS was born July 16, 1883, married Cora Jackson of Missouri and was living in California.

10. CLARA M. MINNIS was born May 4, 1885, married Charles Taylor and was living at Johnson City, Tennessee.

11. SAMUEL HENRY MINNIS was born March 5, 1887, married Annie Mitchell and lives at Greybull, Washington.

12. ROBERT A. MINNIS was born Sept. 16, 1890. (Twin).

13. MARTHA ELLEN MINNIS was born Sept. 16, 1890 and died early in life. (Twin).

14. JOHN R. MINNIS was born Aug. 24, 1892, married Allie Johnson and was living at Greybull, Wyoming.

b. JOHN MINNIS, another child of James Pickens Minnis and wife married Jane Morris and lived for a long while and died in Texas.

c. ESTHER MINNIS, another child of James Pickens Minnis and wife married Caleb Morris and lived in Texas and died there.

d. JAMES P. MINNIS, another child of James Pickens Minnis and wife is listed with no record.

III. SUSAN MINNIS, third child of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis, was born April 30, 1821 in Blount County, Tennessee. She died April 4, 1897 near Cohutta, Georgia and is buried at the Harkness Cemetery. She remained single. She died at the Minnis home, where J. A. Pickens and his wife, Letitia Minnis Pickens, her sister, were living. She made her home with them for some years before her death. They bought another farm later. She is spoken of as a frail person who was very much loved and whose visits were much enjoyed by the kin.

IV. ELIZABETH JANE MINNIS, fourth child of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis, was born March 1, 1824 in Blount County, Tennessee. She died in 1899 and is buried at Spring Place, Murray County, Georgia. She married William Glass Dec. 1, 1858. He died in 1891 and is buried beside his wife. Their children are:

a Mary

c Susan

b Emely

d Samuel Anderson

a. MARY GLASS remained single. She died in 1939 and is buried at Pine Grove, near Dalton, Ga. She is said by a cousin to have been about 80 years old. After her mother's death she and her sister Susan went to Rome, Georgia to live. After the death of her sister she lived for some time with her cousins,

Letitia and Cynthia Pickens. She left Rome and died with a relative at Dalton. She is said by neighbors at Rome to have been an educated and refined person.

b. EMELY GLASS is said to have died when a young lady and is buried at Spring Place.

c. SUSAN GLASS is said to have been employed at a Mill of some kind of manufacture in Rome, Georgia. She remained single. She died in 1911 and is buried at Pine Grove.

d. SAMUEL ANDERSON GLASS died in 1929, probably around 66 years of age. He lived at Dalton, Georgia and is buried at Pine Grove. He married Sarah Elizabeth Warmack, who died in 1922 and is buried beside her husband. Their children are:

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|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 Georgia (Mrs. J. O. Cardner)  | Dalton, Ga.     |
| 2 Fannie (Mrs. H. H. Ayers)     | East Point, Ga. |
| 3 Elizabeth (Mrs. Reese Thomas) | Dalton, Ga.     |
| 4 Lucy                          | Dalton, Ga.     |

This record is fragmentary and secured from various relatives. Lucy of the above sent all she knew of the older ones and of her family.

V. ROBERT ANDERSON MINNIS, DR., fifth child of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis was born Feb. 2, 1826. He married Mrs. Eugenia A. Humphries January 9, 1855. He and his family went to Mississippi. He practiced medicine both in Tennessee and Mississippi. He is remembered by many kin for his treatment of Cancer. He had a remedy which according to many was completely effective in the first stages. The children of Dr. Robert and his wife are:

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| a Robert G. | b September | 7, 1856 |
| b Paul      | b November  | 1864    |

VI. SAMUEL ALEXANDER MINNIS, sixth child of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis was born May 31, 1828. He died Dec. 1914 and is buried at Cleveland, Tennessee. He married Mary Ann Stuart on Aug. 7, 1851. She was born Dec. 23, 1829 and died Nov. 1, 1915.

The children of Samuel and Mary Ann Stuart Minnis are:

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|--------------------|-------------|----------|
| a Robert Andrew    | b August    | 18, 1853 |
| b Joseph Alexander | b July      | 18, 1855 |
| c James Monroe     | b September | 5, 1856  |
| d Susan Florence   | b October   | 26, 1861 |
| e Tebitha Belzora  | b September | 2, 1862  |
| f Mary Matilda     | b May       | 5, 1864  |
| g Samuel Thomas    | b February  | 7, 1867  |
| h Charles E.       | b January   | 8, 1870  |

a. ROBERT ANDREW MINNIS, lived and died in Lewisburg, Texas.

b. JOSEPH ALEXANDER MINNIS was a druggist at Denton, Texas and died there.

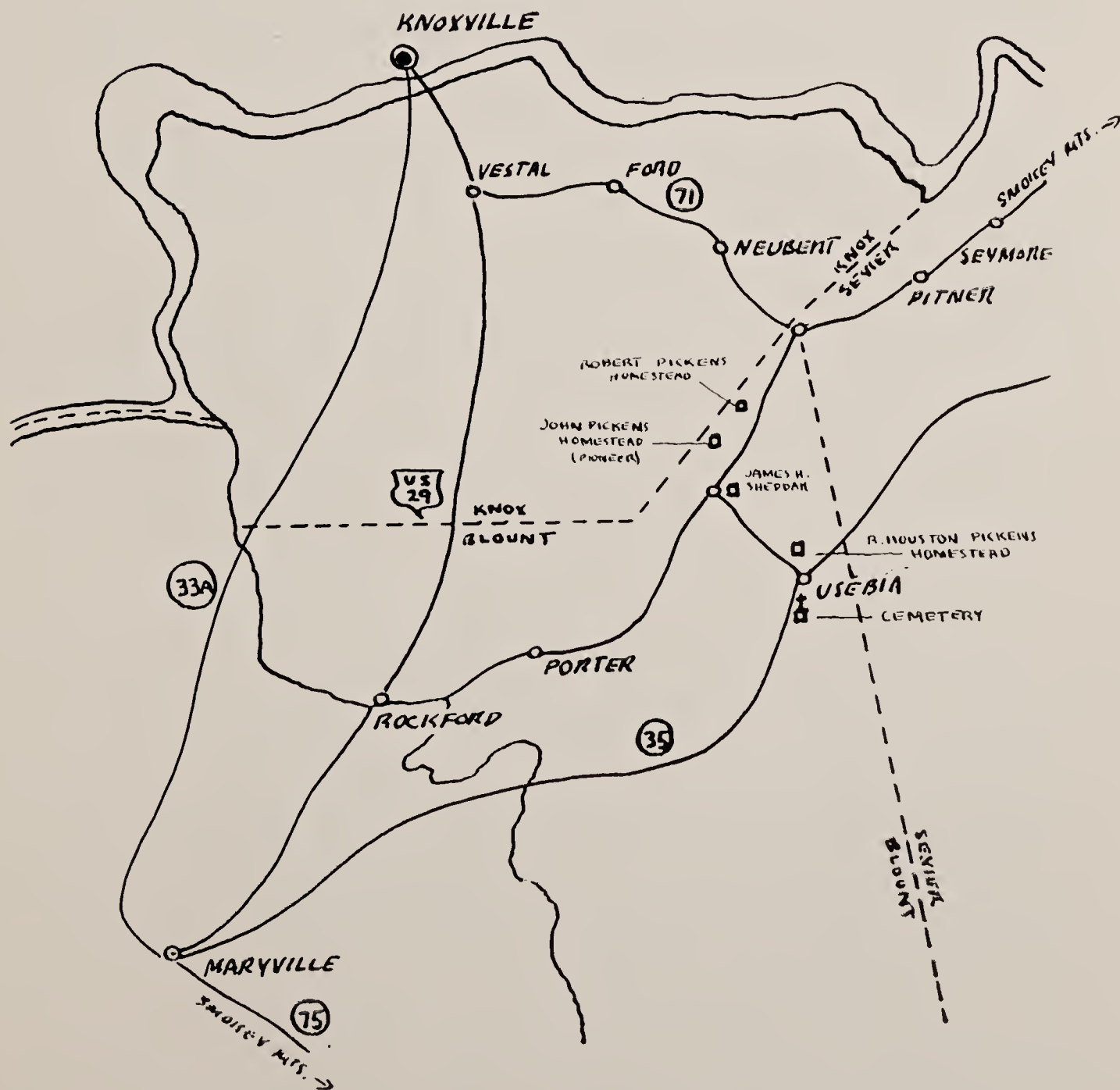
c. JAMES MONROE MINNIS died in Bartow, Florida. He married first, Ella Borden and second, a Miss Weaver.





Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Minnis

Mrs. Minnis (Mary Pickens) was the daughter of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens.



Map showing early location of Pickens people.





d. SUSAN MINNIS, lived, died and is buried at Cleveland, Tennessee. She was a dressmaker and cared for and helped to rear some motherless nephews.

e. TEBITHA BELZORA MINNIS was born at Cleveland, and died Sept. 17, 1862 in infancy.

f. MARY MATILDA MINNIS married Henry Johnson and lived at Knoxville during a large part of her married life. She spent her last years at Cleveland, Tennessee and is buried there.

g. SAMUEL THOMAS MINNIS, seventh child of Samuel and Mary Minnis, lived all his life at Cleveland, Tennessee, and died in 1924. He married first Dolly Dooly and second Ora Grooms.

Children of Samuel Thomas and Dolly Dooly Minnis are:

1. W. L. Minnis, Sr.    b November        2, 1894

1. W. L. MINNIS, son of Samuel Thomas and Dolly Dooly Minnis, was born at Cleveland, Tennessee and has lived there all his life. He married Exie Lewis Aug. 10, 1914. She was born May 11, 1896 and died October 28, 1917. W. L. Minnis sent much valuable history and came by our home with part of it.

The children of W. L. Minnis Sr., and his wife Exie Lewis Minnis are:

(a) Wilma Sue                      b May                      6, 1915

(b) W. L. Jr.                      b January                7, 1917

(a) WILMA SUE MINNIS married Carl Pirkle. They live at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and their children are:

(1) Fred

(2) Judy

(b) W. L. MINNIS, JR., married Dorothy Million. Their home is at Knoxville, Tennessee where he is a policeman. Their children are:

(1) Tommy

(2) Gerald

W. L. Minnis, Sr., married second, Sallie E. Geren, Oct. 6, 1923. She was born March 15, 1896. Their children are:

(c) Dorothy Nell                      b July                      25, 1925

(d) Wanda Jane                      b May                      4, 1927

(c). DOROTHY NELL MINNIS married Ellis Parker Oct. 5, 1946. He is employed at the T.V.A., and the family home is at Cleveland, Tennessee.

(d). WANDA JANE MINNIS married George Milloway Oct. 5, 1946. He is employed by the T.V.A., and the home is at Cleveland, Tennessee. Their child is:

(1) Linda Jane

VII. WILLIAM MINNIS, seventh child of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis was born in Blount County, Tennessee March 20, 1830. He died Feb. 17, 1916 at Knoxville, Tennessee. He is buried at Cleveland, Tennessee, where

he and his family had lived during the life time of his wife.

He married Margaret Norton Nov. 17, 1853 in Whitfield County, Georgia. She was born Aug. 21, 1832 and died April 23, 1888 at Cleveland, Tennessee. She is buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of William Norton who was born July 13, 1787 and his wife Elizabeth Harris Norton. The Norton family came from North Carolina to Sevier County, Tenn. Later they moved to Whitfield County, Georgia. There were 13 of the Norton children, all of them dying in infancy except A. B., James H., Dorcas D., Margaret, W. J. D., and Ingabo Norton. William Norton served in the war of 1812. Elizabeth Harris Norton was a sister of Isham G. Harris' father. This Norton history is copied from notes of Tom McMurry, which he had gotten from Mrs. Amanda Minnis Bonham.

The children of William and Margaret Norton Minnis were all born near Dalton, Georgia and are:

a Amanda	b October	8, 1855
b Wesley Wilburn	b November	7, 1857
c James H.	b October	12, 1859
d Benjamin Franklin	b February	20, 1862
e Tennessee	b December	31, 1865
f Thomas Wilson	b September	22, 1868
g Howard Oscar	b April	17, 1873
h Twins were born and died the same day		
c James Harvey	d in infancy	
b Wesley Wilburn	d November	10, 1858

a. AMANDA MINNIS, oldest child of William and Margaret Norton Minnis was born Oct. 8, 1855 in Whitfield County, Georgia, near Dalton. She died at Knoxville, Tennessee, March 4, 1941, and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery.

She married Lucullus T. Bonham Dec. 24, 1872 at Cleveland, Tennessee. He was born March 4, 1847 in Blount County, Tennessee. He died Feb. 25, 1892 at Knoxville and is buried beside his wife in Greenwood. From the obituary notice of his wife I have this information about him. He was a young railway employee in Georgia at the time of his marriage. Later moved to Cleveland, Tennessee, where he was employed by the E.T.V. and Georgia railroad to pilot passenger trains between Chattanooga and Knoxville. After moving to Knoxville in 1883 he continued with the railroad as engineer between Knoxville and Bristol for many years.

From the obituary notice of Amanda Minnis I find that after coming to Knoxville she moved her membership to the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church. "She was active in church work until advancing years prevented it. She also had been honored by the presentation of a life membership card in May Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star." She was a much loved person to her eight boys and others of relatives and friends who knew her. She was called "Mother Bonham" by many. She attended one or two Pickens Reunions in which she was much interested.

The children of L. T. and Amanda Minnis Bonham were all born at Cleve-



land, Tennessee, and are:

1 Luther Le Fayette	b August	31, 1874
2 Walter Melville	b December	20, 1876
3 L. Omar William	b January	23, 1879
4 Fred Theodore	b February	19, 1882
5 Wellington Franklin	b January	15, 1884
6 Lloyd Clay (Dr.)	b July	8, 1886
7 Floyd Carl twins	b July	8, 1886
8 Hubert Milton	b October	4, 1888

1. LUTHER BONHAM, oldest child of L. T. and Amanda Minnis Bonham lives at Knoxville, Tenn, where he is employed. He married Cora Harrison Sept. 29, 1916.

2. WALTER BONHAM, second child of L. T. and Amanda Minnis Bonham married Jennie Kuhlman June 6, 1902. She was born Oct. 8, 1878 and was the daughter of Frederick William and Sarah Jane Proffit Kuhlman of Knoxville. Walter M. was a wholesale hardware executive and civic leader of Knoxville. He died May 14, 1940. His widow resides at Knoxville. Their child is:

(a) Evelyn

3. L. OMAR BONHAM, third child of L. T. and Amanda Minnis Bonham married Adele Bicknell Feb. 20, 1907. He is in business in Atlanta, Georgia.

4. FRED T. BONHAM, fourth child of L. T. and Amanda Minnis Bonham, formerly lived at Knoxville where he was an executive of the Knoxville Journal. He went to New York where he was connected with the New York Times. He married Valeria Langloff July 7, 1933. She is from a very prominent and wealthy family. The home of Fred and his wife is now at Riverside, Conn. There are no descendents.

5. FRANKLIN W. BONHAM, fifth child of L. T. and Amanda Minnis Bonham, died as a child at Cohutta, Georgia.

6. LLOYD C. BONHAM, sixth child of L. T. and Amanda Minnis Bonham, is a Chiropractor and has had a prosperous work in Knoxville for several years. He is a wonderful historian and interested especially in ancient history and work of Prophecy, in which latter day teaching and thought, he is an adept scholar and an authority. It was at his home that I copied the record of the Bonham family from a Photostatic copy of the Bonham Bible. He married Hallie Horton June 16, 1910 who was the daughter of Robert James and Rachel Perigo Horton of Yankeetown, Indiana. Their children are:

(a) Robert Lloyd	b and died November 21, 1912
(b) Ruth Horton	b March 10, 1919

(b) RUTH BONHAM married Walter French Sutton and they live in Knoxville. They have a child:

(1) Lucinda Lynn	b May 12, 1949
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7. FLOYD C. BONHAM, eighth child of L. T. and Amanda Minnis Bonham, was a twin of his brother Dr. Lloyd C. Bonham. He lives in Knox-

ville where he is in business as a salesman. He married Anna Ashburn Oct. 18, 1910.

8. HUBERT BONHAM, eighth child of L. T. and Amanda Minnis Bonham died July 11, 1934 at Knoxville, Tennessee. He married Ruth Richards May 15, 1923.

d. BENJAMIN F. MINNIS, fourth child of William and Margaret Norton Minnis, went to Mississippi to live. I have the record of his family from his daughter Frances Minnis Rogillio. He died Jan. 21, 1939. He married Minnie Lee Lowe Feb. 21, 1887. She died July 9, 1910. Nine children were born to this union, six boys and three girls. All died in infancy except two boys and two girls. The children who grew to adulthood are:

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| 1 Leslie Vernon | 3 Pearl   |
| 2 Harry         | 4 Frances |

1. LESLIE VERNON MINNIS lives in Baton Rouge, La. 2. HARRY MINNIS died in 1948. 3. PEARL MINNIS married a Mr. Ritchie and lives in California. 4. FRANCES married J. B. Rogillio and lives in Mensenhall, Mississippi.

e. TENNESSEE MINNIS, fifth child of William and Margaret Norton Minnis, married John W. Boyd May 5, 1887. They lived at Cleveland and went to Mississippi where she died at Port Gibson, Nov. 3, 1918. There were no descendents.

f. THOMAS W. MINNIS, sixth child of William and Margaret Norton Minnis died June 8, 1906. He married Elizabeth Davis who was born Dec. 8, 1877 and died Oct. 15, 1941. The child of Thomas and Elizabeth Davis Minnis is:

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| 1 Terry W. | b February | 11, 1898 |
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1. From the son TERRY MINNIS, I received the record of his father and his own family record. The letterhead of March, 1942 gives his business as the Minnis Coal Company of Winston-Salem, N. C. He wrote that he was sorry that he could not give fuller information as he was only a little boy at the time of his father's death and the breaking up of his home. At the time of Mrs. Bonham's death at Knoxville, mention is made of the fact that Terry Minnis, a nephew was present at the funeral and that he had been reared in Mrs. Bonham's home. He relates that he had left home when about 16 years of age and had then been away from his people about twenty-eight years. His daughter was a Junior at the Women's College of the University of North Carolina, his son was a Junior in High School and his youngest boy was in the fifth grade. He married Jeanette Freeman April 16, 1921. His wife was born Jan. 9, 1895. Their children are:

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|-------------------|--------|----------|
| (a) Mary Jeanette | b May  | 26, 1922 |
| (b) Terry W., Jr. | b July | 15, 1926 |
| (c) F. Thomas     | b May  | 10, 1930 |

g. HOWARD OSCAR MINNIS, seventh child of William and Margaret Norton Minnis, married Annie Crain Dec. 15, 1898, who was born Aug. 12, 1878 and died in 1949 in Texas. Their child, William Crain Minnis was born



May 27, 1909, and died August 8, 1909 and is buried at Harris Creek Cemetery, near McGregor, Texas.

Oscar Minnis is living at McGregor and sent the record of William and Mary Ann Norton Minnis from the old family Bible in his possession. He said that he had a business at South Bosque, sold it and bought a farm, increasing the acreage but left it in the depression years; he went to McGregor and was operating a successful "picture house" but it was destroyed by fire. He had a domino parlor for a while and now has a small ranch with lots of fine timber and is engaged in the wood business. His hobby is antiques and he has quite a collection of frontier and Indian relics and other valuable things.

VIII. THOMAS J. MINNIS, eighth child of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis, was born March 18, 1832. From a hospital card, dated Feb. 1, 1865, he was a Union soldier, born in Tennessee, single; address is Varnell Station, Whitfield County, Georgia; he has the rank of Sergeant, Co. H. 3rd Tenn. Cavalry; he had been admitted from the Barracks. From the Minnis record, he died April 7, 1866, as a result of exposure in Andersonville prison and is buried at the Harkness cemetery near Cohutta, Georgia.

IX. LETITIA MINNIS, ninth child of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis, was born June 5, 1834. She married John Pickens, her first cousin and her record is found in the Alexander Pickens line.

X. MARY J. MINNIS, tenth child of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis is listed in the old Minnis record, but no further information concerning her could be obtained.

## SAMUEL PICKENS

G. SAMUEL PICKENS, seventh child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens was born August 12, 1799 at the homestead of his father at Nail's Creek. He died January 6, 1862 and is buried at the Eusebia Cemetery.

He married Jane M. W. Cowan about 1822, who was born Dec. 3, 1800 and died Dec. 15, 1861, and is buried beside her husband. She was reared at Boyd's Creek, Sevier County.

Samuel Pickens is said to have been a good citizen of the community in which he lived. He was Judge of Sevier County, 1851-1852. Oliver P. Temple in his history of East Tennessee and the Civil War speaks of him on Page 403 as Colonel (Samuel) Pickens, the senator in the legislature from Sevier and other counties.

On page 404, Mr. Temple said: "The work of arresting Union men went on through November and December, 1861 and in the early months of 1862. Among the prominent men thus arrested was Samuel Pickens, an old and respected citizen of Sevier County, then a senator in the legislature. His crime was being a Union man and the father of W. C. Pickens, the leader in the attempt to burn Strawberry Plains Bridge. Without even the form of a trial,

unless by the secret and exparte action of Ledbetter's or Carroll's court, he was sent to Tuscaloosa, where he died. There was no evidence against him and he was guilty of no offense. He was a quiet, peaceable and an excellent citizen." Major McTeer wrote that "Judge Samuel Pickens, a man of prominence, well up in years, was sent to Tuscaloosa and in a short time his remains were shipped back for burial."

An article by J. A. Sharp about Nancy Academy, (founded 1806), Sevierville, Tennessee, was published in the Sevier County Republican May 8, 1951. A quote in this article from the Knoxville Register August 23, 1848, states that the trustees of the Academy, Robert H. Hodsden, James McNelly and Samuel C. Pickens advertised for bidders "for the building of a house in the town of Sevierville, 40 ft. long, by 26 ft. wide, 2 stories high for the use of the Academy." He deeded land to the Ellijoy Baptist Church, April 1, 1852 and was a trustee of that church.

Samuel Pickens owned much land in the 10th District of Sevier County at various times. The home was a large house on a Creek near Ellijoy Baptist Church where Samuel farmed and his children were born and reared.

The children of Samuel and Jane Cowan Pickens are:

I James Alexander	b October	14, 1823
II William C.	b March	7, 1825
III John	b December	19, 1827
IV Samuel Wiley	b April	2, 1830
V Margaret Isabella	b August	26, 1832
VI Thomas M.	b July	8, 1836
VII Mary Jane	b August	15, 1838

I. JAMES PICKENS, oldest child of Samuel and Jane Cowan Pickens, was born at the home place of his father. He lived in the 10th District and married Rachel Boling who was born April 24, 1838 and died December 8, 1911. James died May 16, 1899 and both are buried at Ellijoy Church.

The children of James and Rachel Boling Pickens are:

a Richard	b	1863
b John Mitchel	b	1866
c Samuel Houston	b November	14, 1876
d Sarah Jane	b September	21, 1879

a. RICHARD PICKENS, oldest child of James and Rachel Pickens, was born at the home of his father in the 10th District of Sevier County. He married Mary E. Davis who was a daughter of Crawford Davis. She was born January 24, 1868 and died June 4, 1896. Richard, called Dick, died June 7, 1930. Both are buried at Ellijoy. They had one son:

1. Hubert — date of birth unknown

He went to Oregon and his record could not be secured.

Richard Pickens married a second time, Elizabeth Norman.

b. JOHN PICKENS, second child of James and Rachel Boling Pickens was born at the home of his father in the 10th District of Sevier County. He died in 1908 at Atlanta, Georgia and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery at Knoxville, Tennessee.

He married Evelyn Eleanor Jones Dec. 25, 1903. She was the daughter



of James W. and Cynthia Jane Brakebill Jones who lived in South Knoxville in a large house on the hill overlooking the Tennessee River Bridge. She has been employed at Miller Store Co., for a number of years and makes her home at Knoxville.

John Pickens grew up on the farm of his father in Sevier County and was educated in the public schools there and probably at Harrison's Institute. He taught school in Sevier and Knox Counties and then went into railroad work. He became private secretary to the manager of the Southern Weighing and Inspection Bureau which included work in several railways. After his marriage he was located at Nashville, Tennessee and Atlanta, Georgia. The church affiliation of the family is the South Knoxville Baptist Church.

The children of John and Evelyn Jones Pickens are:

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| 1 James Jones        | b April   | 29, 1899 |
| 2 John Mitchell, Jr. | b January | 31, 1908 |

1. JAMES PICKENS, oldest son of John and Evelyn Pickens, was born in Nashville, Tennessee. He married Addie Caughron Jan. 9, 1821. He is a salesman for Fincannon Motor Parts and the family home is in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Their children are:

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| (a) James Jones, Jr. | b April    | 29, 1922 |
| (b) Evelyn Ellen     | b December | 30, 1923 |
| (c) Sam Mitchell     | b May      | 20, 1925 |
| (d) Richard Calvert  | b August   | 28, 1928 |
| (e) Mary Eleanor     | b February | 15, 1935 |

(a). JAMES JONES PICKENS, Jr., married Ruby Nell Peterson Jan. 24, 1948. They are employed at Miller's Dept. Store and live at Knoxville, Tennessee.

(b) EVELYN PICKENS married Gregory Luhowiak June 20, 1944. They live at Knoxville, Tennessee and have a child:

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| (1) Greg Michael | b August | 12, 1946 |
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(c). SAM PICKENS married Betty Beam Nov. 22, 1946. Their home is at Knoxville.

(d). RICHARD PICKENS married Lillian Cooper in November, 1946. They have a son:

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| (2) Robert Reed | b | 1947 |
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2. JOHN PICKENS, second child of John and Evelyn Pickens, was born in Atlanta, Georgia. He was in service in the last war and is employed at Pickens-Thomas, Knoxville, Tennessee.

c. SAMUEL HOUSTON PICKENS, third child of James and Rachel Pickens, was born and raised at the family home of his parents in the 10th District of Sevier County. He died May 25, 1930 and is buried at Ellijoy. He married Christine Cusick of Sevier County, May 8, 1915. She was born Feb. 20, 1892. She and her husband lived in Sevier County and a few miles below Maryville for a while. The widow and her married children all live at Knoxville, Tennessee.

The children of Samuel and Christine Pickens are:

1 James Alexander	b May	2, 1916
2 Martha Jane	b September	15, 1917
3 Rachel Evelyn	b January	18, 1919
4 Samuel Wiley	b May	12, 1920
5 Johnnie Mae	b September	8, 1921
6 Cusick Ruth	b August	29, 1925
7 Mary	b January	11, 1927
8 Beulah	b April	6, 1929
7 Mary	d day of birth	

d. SARAH JANE PICKENS, fourth child of James and Rachel Pickens, was born at the homestead of her father. She married Andrew Rodgers and died October 7, 1899. She is buried at Ellijoy. There were no descendents.

II. WILLIAM C. PICKENS, (Col.), second child of Samuel and Jane Cowan Pickens was born at the home place of his father in the 10th District of Sevier County. He died April 8, 1872 and is buried in the Eusebia Cemetery.

He married Susan McCammon, February 11, 1847. She was born about 1830. She died about 1886 and is buried according to the remembrance of a grand-child at Baker's Creek in Blount County. She was the daughter of Samuel McCammon who lived near Lowe's Ferry in Blount County and was a brother to Thomas McCammon who married Sarah Pickens. A sister Margaret, the only other child in the family, was born July 24, 1828 and died February 16, 1906. She married Boyd McMurry, according to some Blount County records. I have seen from Blount County Marriage Licenses that Samuel McCammon married Rachel Inman Nov. 24, 1826.

Col. William C. Pickens got his title from Civil War days, when he was an officer in the Union Army.

In the early days of the Civil War much bitterness prevailed in the region of our immediate eastern Tennessee section. Those who favored the Union cause objected to some intervention of rebel government and some wise and unwise retaliation resulted. One of these seemingly unwise decisions appears to have been to burn bridges. Oliver P. Temple in his history concerning the Civil War speaks of one bridge and the connection of Col. William C. Pickens with it. "The next bridge on the line was the one on the Holston, at Strawberry Plains, fifteen miles east of Knoxville. William C. Pickens of Sevier County, was the leader selected to destroy this bridge. He was a bold, dashing, reckless, good-natured fellow, who delighted in just such adventures as this." The bridge was guarded and when a match was struck by Pickens a gun was fired and "Pickens fell wounded in the thigh." A man who rushed to the rescue, mistook Pickens for the guard and knifed the wrong person. Consequently Pickens was badly wounded. The box of matches carried by him to burn the bridge was lost in the struggle and as no more matches were available the enterprise of bridge burning was abandoned. "Though Pickens was wounded in two or more places, he was too plucky to give up. He was mounted behind a companion" and went to a place where he received medical attention. The next day "he was placed on a sled, concealed with corn fodder, and hauled back into the mountains, where he remained with occasional



changes of place of concealment, until the following January, when he and his associates were piloted across the mountains into Kentucky. Here he and others raised the Third Tennessee Cavalry, and he became its first colonel."

Goodspeed's History for East Tennessee says that William C. Pickens was Clerk and Master in Blount County from 1864-1867. Also that he was Sheriff in Sevier County from 1851-1852. He lived in Sevier County the greater part of his life but lived for a while in Maryville. From Mr. Parham's record he owned a tan yard there at one time.

The children of Col. William C. and Susan McCammon Pickens are:

a S. A.	b May	7, 1848
b Marquies Lafayette	b May	27, 1850
c Rachel	b	1852
d Letitia	b about	1854
e J. R.	b December	23, 1858
f Margaret	b July	17, 1859
g Susan	b about	1860
h Sally	b about	1862
i William	b July	22, 1864
a S. A.	d June	15, 1861
e J. R.	d September	27, 1859

b. MARQUIES LAFAYETTE PICKENS, called Mark, was the second child of Col. William C. and Susan McCammon Pickens. He was born in Sevier County and died in Blount County, November 15, 1877. He is buried at Carpenter's Camp Ground, a few miles south of Maryville, which place was his home at the time of his death. He married Margaret Elizabeth Costner. She was born June 7, 1851 and died June 11, 1904 in Washington State. After the death of her husband she and her sons went to the State of Washington to live. The children of Mark and Elizabeth Costner Pickens are:

1 Cowan Rudisel (Rudy)	b October	21, 1873
2 Charles Edgar	b March	23, 1876

1. RUDY PICKENS was born in Tennessee and since his arrival in Washington State has made his home there. His home is at Mt. Vernon. I have had several letters from this family with news and pictures of them. I shall quote about Rudy Pickens. "He served in the U. S. War in 1898. Since the time of his marriage in 1900 he has been employed or worked for the State and County almost all of the time since that date. He was employed at the State Penitentiary, the State Reformatory, four years as Sheriff and fourteen and one-half years as Superintendent of the County Farm and Hospital. Since 1936 he has been looking after his own houses which he rents and taking life a little easier." The family are all members of the Baptist church. They sent clippings and pictures of the flooding Skagit River, which around February 11, 1951 inundated whole towns and villages and caused some damage and greatly threatened Mt. Vernon, Washington.

Rudy Pickens married Ella Dora Giles May 29, 1900. They celebrated their golden wedding on Sunday May 28, 1950. From a clipping, "Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Pickens were greeted by a host of friends and relatives on the event of their golden wedding reception at their home on Sunday, May 28, from two

to four o'clock and from seven to nine o'clock. Mrs. Pickens greeted the guests in a dinner gown of dusty pink taffeta. She wore an orchid corsage, the gift of Mr. Pickens. Assisting hostesses were Mrs. Cowen Pickens, Mrs. Mark Pickens and Mrs. E. A. Peterson, daughters-in-law and daughter of the honored couple. The table was covered with a lace ecru cloth and centered with a three tiered white wedding cake decorated with gold. Miss Mio Pickens, a grand-daughter had charge of the guest book.

Miss Ida Halpin, who was maid of honor fifty years ago at the wedding which took place at the Giles home in Rosario, was able to attend the reception. Her brother, who served as best man, was ill and unable to attend. Surprising the family Sunday morning were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Pickens of Richmond, California, who came up by plane for the occasion. The daughter, Mrs. E. A. Peterson of Ventura, California had arrived a week ago by plane. The other son lives at Mt. Vernon.

Guests came from Port Angeles, Port Townsend, Forks, Seattle and Skagit County for the reception. Many gifts of flowers and presents were received from relatives, friends and organizations.

The children of Rudy and Ella Giles Pickens are:

(a) Mark Russell	b February	1, 1902
(b) Sybil Margaret	b March	21, 1904
(c) Charles Cowen	b June	23, 1909

(a). MARK PICKENS owns his business in Richmond, California. He sells men's clothing. He married Gertie Violet Miller Dec., 1924. Their children are:

(1) Mark Russell, Jr.	b December	19, 1925
(2) Robert Miller	b April	28, 1928
(3) Richard Cowan (twins)	b April	28, 1928

(1) MARK RUSSELL PICKENS, JR., is a graduate of Boulder College, Boulder, Colo. He served a year in the Navy in World War II, as an engineer L.M.S.

(2) and (3). ROBERT and RICHARD PICKENS, twins were in College but called to Army service in Sept. 1950. They are now in training in the State of Washington.

(b). SYBIL PICKENS taught school for several years. She married Elmer A. Peterson in 1933. He is part owner and manager of a building block concern in Ventura, California. They have one daughter, who is in college. She is:

(1) Barbara June	b June	12, 1936
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(c). COWEN PICKENS served two years in World War II. He was Sgt. in the Engineer Regiment and was in Japan at the close of the war. He is a mechanic and the home is at Mt. Vernon. He married Marian Arlaine Carr in June, 1935. Their children are:

(1) Mio Arlaine	b April	17, 1938
(2) William (Billy)	b January	3, 1947



2. CHARLES EDGAR PICKENS, second child of Mark and Elizabeth Costner Pickens, was born in Tennessee. He served in the U. S. War of 1898 and for some years had a shoe store. He married Bessie Smith and there are no descendants. The home is at Mt. Vernon, Washington.

c. RACHEL J. PICKENS, third child of Col. William C. and Susan McCammon Pickens was born at the family homestead in Sevier County. She died August 17, 1871 near Sevierville, Tennessee and is buried at Shiloh Cemetery near Sevierville. She married Pinkney P. Seaton October 1, 1867 of Sevier County, Tennessee. He was born Nov. 27, 1839 and died Aug. 9, 1918, and is buried at Shiloh. From the Seaton record he was conscripted into the rebel army, escaped and joined the Union forces. He married a second time, Sarah Ann Trotter and they had children named John and Priscilla. He married a third time Victoria Snapp.

The children of Pinkney and Rachel Pickens Seaton are:

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| 1 Arthur Alexander | b June   | 15, 1869 |
| 2 Charles          | b August | 3, 1871  |

1. ARTHUR SEATON, oldest child of Pinkney and Rachel Pickens Seaton was born near Sevierville. After his marriage he lived in South Knoxville. He died August 3, 1941 and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery. At the time of his death he was assistant market master at Knoxville. He married Mary Forest Mullendore, March 26, 1875. She died in 1947 and is buried beside her husband. Their record was obtained from the family Bible at the home of their daughter Mrs. Robert Wester. The children of Arthur A. and Mary F. Mullendore Seaton are:

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| (a) Rachel L.  | b September | 9, 1893  |
| (b) Ida        | b September | 28, 1895 |
| (c) Homer T.   | b September | 12, 1896 |
| (d) Frank E.   | b May       | 12, 1899 |
| (e) Inez Pearl | b August    | 31, 1901 |
| (b) Ida        | d October   | 4, 1895  |

(a). RACHEL L. SEATON married Robert W. Wester Sept. 24, 1912. The home is in Knoxville and their child is:

- (1) Robert W., Jr.

(c). HOMER T. SEATON married Lena Arnwine June 10, 1922. Their children are:

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| (1) Virginia Lee | b June     | 1, 1923  |
| (2) H. T. Jr.    | b March    | 26, 1926 |
| (3) James Bruce  | b December | 6, 1931  |
| (4) Richard      | b November | 17, 1940 |

(d). FRANK E. SEATON is employed at the office of the Knoxville City jail. He married Mamie Schroll. The home is at Knoxville and their children are:

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| (1) Frank E., Jr. | b January | 9, 1922  |
| (2) Margaret      | b July    | 23, 1925 |

(1). FRANK E. SEATON, JR., married Easter York July 23, 1925.

2. CHARLES SEATON, second child of Pinkney P. and Rachel Pickens Seaton, was born in Sevier County, Tennessee Aug. 3, 1871. He was living in Bonnie Blue, Virginia about six years ago when I received his record. He married Alice Pemberton June 17, 1896. They have an adopted daughter who is married and has four sons.

d. LETITIA PICKENS, fourth child of Col. William C. and Susan McCammon Pickens was born at the Sevier County home about 1854. She married Sam Jackson and died July, 1872. She is said to be buried at the Eusebia Cemetery.

f. MARGARET PICKENS, sixth child of Col. William C. and Susan McCammon Pickens was born at the Sevier County home, July 17, 1859. She was raised in the 10th District of Sevier County and continued to live here after her marriage and until the birth of all her children when the family moved to Polk County, Tennessee in November, 1896. She married Levi Helton Loveday Oct. 9, 1878. He was born May 21, 1862 and died January 19, 1942. Both he and his wife died at Maryville, Tennessee and are buried at Pine Grove some 16 miles south of Maryville, Tennessee.

The children of Levi and Margaret Pickens Loveday are:

1 Susan Jane	b March	28, 1880
2 James Robert	b September	21, 1881
3 Mordecai Bruce	b January	10, 1884
4 Lizzie Cordelia	b April	18, 1886
5 George Leonard	b May	9, 1888
6 John Pinkney	b May	9, 1891
7 Samuel Houston	b May	10, 1896
8 Pearlie May	b December	20, 1899
4 Lizzie Cordelia	d December	1888

1. SUSAN JANE LOVEDAY, oldest child of Levi and Margaret Pickens Loveday married William Martin and lives at Englewood, Tennessee. Was unable to get further record from that family.

2. JAMES ROBERT LOVEDAY, second child of Levi and Margaret Pickens Loveday married (1) Nora Brabson Feb. 21, 1914. He married (2) Louisa Irwin May 24, 1922. The family home is at Vestal, South Knoxville. There are no descendents. For many years James Loveday was employed at Tennessee Mill and Mine Supply Co. It was at his home that I copied the record of the Loveday children from the old Loveday family Bible.

3. MORDECAI BRUCE LOVEDAY, called by the latter name, was the third child of Levi and Margaret Pickens Loveday. He married Ethel Walker June 19, 1910. She was born June 8, 1883. Their address is Greenback, Tennessee.

5. GEORGE LEONARD LOVEDAY, fifth child of Levi and Margaret Pickens Loveday married Verda White Nov. 14, 1922. She was born Nov. 2, 1896. He writes that he is a retired boilermaker and that the family now live on an 80 acre farm five and one-half miles from Sweetwater, Tennessee.

The children of George and Verda White Loveday are:



(a) William C.	b August	16, 1923
(b) Robert G.	b February	26, 1925

(a). WILLIAM C. LOVEDAY married Frances Bridges March 26, 1949. She was from Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Both she and her husband are graduates of the University of Tennessee. William operates a small jewelry store and watch repair shop, called the Collegiate Jewelry Store, at Knoxville, Tennessee.

(b). ROBERT G. LOVEDAY married Louise Davidson April 10, 1946. She was from Hamilton County, Tennessee. Robert served with George S. Patton in World War II. He was wounded in Germany Dec. 12, 1944. He is a watch maker and has a jewelry store in Daisy, Tennessee. His wife works in the American Trust and Savings Bank at Chattanooga, Tennessee. There are no descendents.

6. JOHN PINKNEY LOVEDAY, sixth child of Levi and Margaret Pickens Loveday married Minnie Starritt Dec. 27, 1916. He died May 13, 1922.

7. SAMUEL HOUSTON LOVEDAY, seventh child of Levi and Margaret Pickens Loveday married Stella Hammontree June 9, 1921. She was born in 1894 and was the daughter of Hugh and Sarah Hammontree. He says: "We lived on the Montvale road two miles south of Maryville for 19 years and for the past eight years have lived on the Big Springs road within three and one-half miles of Friendsville." The children of Samuel and Stella Hamontree Loveday are:

(a) Samuel Houston, Jr.	b July	8, 1922
(b) John L.	b July	23, 1923
(c) Anna Margaret	b January	16, 1925
(d) Charles Raymond	b October	11, 1927
(e) Howard Laymon twins	b October	11, 1927

(a). SAMUEL LOVEDAY, oldest child of Samuel and Stella Hammontree Loveday married Anna Lee Talbott April 19, 1946. She was the daughter of William Talbott and Mrs. Talbott, deceased. Samuel was in the army for a period of 24 months during World War II. He has been in the Hardware business since 1944 and lives near Maryville. There are no descendents.

(b). JOHN LOVEDAY, second child of Samuel and Stella Hammontree Loveday married Imogene Talbott, a sister of Anna Lee Talbott, above mentioned. He also has been in the Hardware business since 1944 and lives near Maryville. There are no descendents.

(c). ANNA MARGARET LOVEDAY, third child of Samuel and Stella Hammontree Loveday married Gerald Sands June 12, 1948. He is the son of Jake Sands and Mrs. Sands, deceased. He is employed in the operation of the farm of his father-in-law. Their child is:

(1) Elizabeth Jane	b May	26, 1949
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(d). CHARLES RAYMOND LOVEDAY, fourth child of Samuel and Stella Hammontree Loveday is single and is connected with his father and brother-in-law as a stock dealer and farmer.

(e). HOWARD LAYMON LOVEDAY, fifth child of Samuel and Stella Hammontree Loveday, the twin of Charles Raymond, is single and is employed with the Alcoa Aluminum Co.

8. PEARLIE MAY LOVEDAY, eighth child of Levi and Margaret Pickens Loveday married Oda Sellers and lives at Newport, Kentucky. No further record was available.

g. SUSAN PICKENS, seventh child of Col William C. and Susan McCammon Pickens, was born at the Sevier County home of her parents about 1860. In the few instances where a positive date has not been known an approximate date has been given. Sometimes there has been a conflict in the remembrances of relatives so if there are mistakes in the "about" dates that is the reason. Susan married John Gibson in 1882 and died in 1884 and is buried at Eusebia Cemetery according to the report of her Aunt, Mrs. Polly Helton of Seymour, Tennessee, who is still living at the age of 88 years.

h. SARAH PICKENS, eighth child of Col. Wm. C. and Susan McCammon Pickens, was born and lived in the 10th District of Sevier County, Tennessee, about 1862. She died about 1896 and is buried in the Eusebia Cemetery according to reports. She married John Helton in 1887. He was born in 1855 and died in March, 1925. The children of John and Sally Pickens Helton live in and around Lenoir City, Tennessee. Their further record was sent by Mrs. Joe Helton. The children are:

1 Lizzie	b	1880
2 Cowan	b June	7, 1882
3 Joe	b February	19, 1884
4 Letitia	b about	1886
5 Wiley	b	1890
6 Charles	b October	27, 1892

1. LIZZIE HELTON married John Pierce. She died Feb. 3, 1935. Both are dead. Their children are:

- (a) Jessie
- (b) Walford Elmer
- (c) Dexter

2. COWAN HELTON married Eva Pasey Sept. 10, 1910. She died Aug. 5, 1932.

3. JOE HELTON married Maggie Rodgers Dec. 9, 1905. They had nine children, five of whom are living — Rev. Otha, Robert, Charles, Mrs. Ina Graves and Mrs. Ivy Carroll.

4. LETITIA HELTON died in infancy at the age of about six months.

5. WILEY HELTON died March 9, 1918. He married Maggie Holloway. Their children are:

- (a) a boy
- (b) Mrs. May McCulley

6. CHARLES HELTON (REV.) married Siendy Hill Nov. 2, 1922. They have an adopted son, Howard.



i. WILLIAM PICKENS, ninth child of Col. Wm. C. and Susan McCammon Pickens, was born in Sevier County July 22, 1864. He died Sept. 25, 1888 and is buried at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, near Sevierville, Tennessee. He married Sarah Latham Aug. 22, 1880. She was born Aug. 11, 1864 and died Dec. 26, 1888. She is buried beside her husband. The children of William and Sarah Latham Pickens are:

1 Andrew Wilson	b September	26, 1881
2 Samuel Wiley	b November	22, 1884
3 Elizabeth Jane	b June	24, 1886
3 Elizabeth Jane	d September	12, 1897

1. ANDREW PICKENS, oldest child of William and Sarah Latham Pickens, was born and lived a great part of his life in the 10th District of Sevier County. He died May 7, 1947 at his home about two and one-half miles southeast of Maryville. He married Mary Susanne Franklin Feb. 12, 1901, who was born Dec. 7, 1880 and died April 30, 1947, one week before her husband. Both are buried at Forest Hill. Andrew was a farmer and at one time dealt in hides. The children of Andrew and Mary Franklin Pickens are married and live in homes on the homeplace near Maryville, Tennessee. The children are:

(a) Flora Alice	b February	23, 1902
(b) Jennie Alice	b September	28, 1904
(c) Louis Andrew	b January	8, 1908
(d) Hubert Stanley	b November	10, 1910
(e) Lily Mae	b November	6, 1913
(f) Sammie Wiley	b January	31, 1916
(g) Frank Howard	b May	7, 1920

(a). FLORA ALICE PICKENS married Howard Odom. She died in 1920.

(b). JENNIE ALICE PICKENS married Omer Waldrop. She died Aug. 14, 1942.

(c). LOUIS ANDREW PICKENS married Rebecca Davis.

(d) HUBERT STANLEY PICKENS married Alva Kirkpatrick.

(e). LILY MAE PICKENS married John Atkins.

(f). SAMMIE WILEY PICKENS married Eloise Abbott.

(g). FRANK HOWARD PICKENS married Claudia Caldwell.

2. SAMUEL W. PICKENS, second child of William and Sarah Latham Pickens, was reared and lived mostly in Sevier County, Tennessee. He died Aug. 29, 1927 and is buried at Pleasant Hill near Sevierville, Tennessee. He married Minnie M. Tarwater Oct. 10, 1904. She was born Nov. 28, 1885, died Feb. 2, 1942 and is buried beside her husband. The record of this family was given by a son, Herman Pickens. All of the children are married and live mostly in the region of Pleasant Hill Church. One of them, Wiley is a Baptist minister now. The children of Samuel and Minnie Tarwater Pickens are:

(a) Edna Mae	b January	5, 1908
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(b) W. S.	b September	16, 1909
(c) Johnnie Rubin	b October	14, 1911
(d) Sam Wiley	b May	30, 1914
(e) George W.	b March	20, 1916
(f) Herman Oliver	b November	22, 1921

III. JOHN PICKENS, third child of Samuel and Jane Cowan Pickens, was born and reared in the 10th District of Sevier County and lived all his life near his birth-place. He was a farmer. He was born Dec. 19, 1827, died March 15, 1896 and is buried at Ellijoy church in the region of his home. He married Elizabeth Jane McMurry Feb. 21, 1860. She was born Jan. 13, 1835 and died July 16, 1900, and is buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of the late John and Margaret Cowan McMurry. The children of John and Elizabeth Jane McMurry Pickens are:

(1) James H.	b November	24, 1860
(2) Mary Jane	b November	10, 1862

(1) JAMES H. PICKENS died Sept. 29, 1890. He was single and is buried at Ellijoy.

(2). MARY JANE PICKENS married Ben Clark and died in a few months on Aug. 21, 1890. She is buried at Ellijoy. No descendents.

IV. SAMUEL WILEY PICKENS, fourth child of Samuel and Jane Cowan Pickens was born April 2, 1830. He remained single and spent his whole life in the home where he was born. He was a Major in the 3rd Tennessee Cavalry of the volunteers of the Union Army. This was the same company in which his brother William C. Pickens was Col. and another brother, Thomas M. Pickens was Captain. Samuel Wiley died July 6, 1906. He is buried in the Eusebia Cemetery.

V. MARGARET ISABELLA PICKENS, fifth child of Samuel and Jane Cowan Pickens, was born Aug., 26, 1832 in Sevier County. She lived in the region of her birth, died July 14, 1862, and is buried at Ellijoy Church Cemetery. She married Samuel C. Davis Sept. 21, 1854. He was born April 19, 1834 and died Feb. 6, 1866. He is buried by the side of his wife. He was a farmer of Blount County.

The children of Samuel C. and Margaret Pickens Davis are:

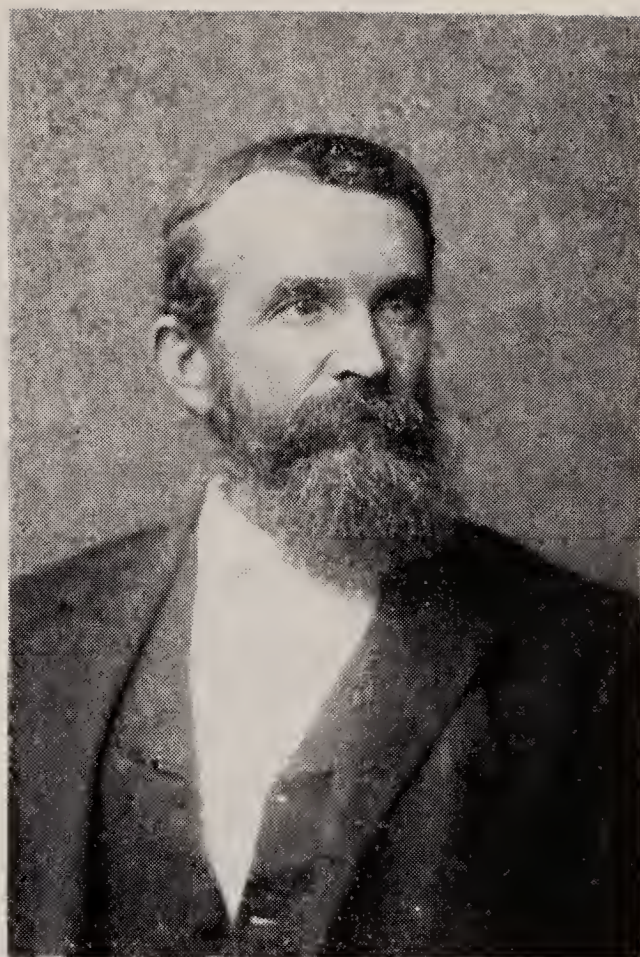
a Andrew J.	b August	17, 1855
b Mary J.	b September	17, 1857
c John P.	b October	25, 1859
d Margaret C.	b June	28, 1862
b Mary J.	d February	3, 1856
d Margaret C.	d August	11, 1862

a. ANDREW J. DAVIS, oldest child of Samuel and Margaret Pickens Davis was born at the family home in Blount County, Tennessee. He died in Blount County, Tennessee January 1, 1918 and is buried at Bethlehem Church Cemetery in Blount County. He was a farmer living on land purchased by himself and brother. He married Alice Henry Sept. 27, 1884, who was born

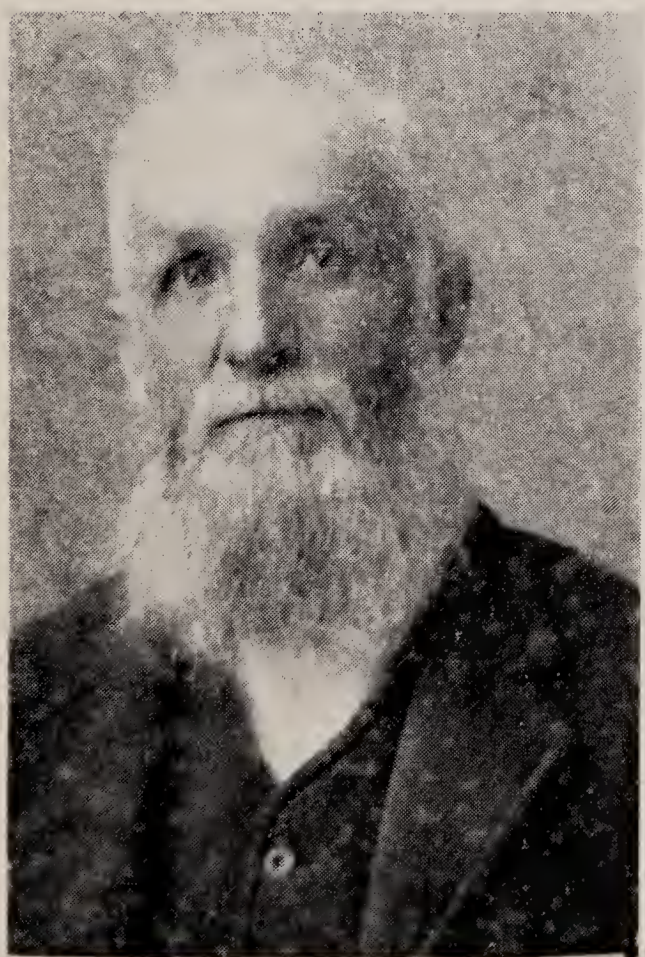




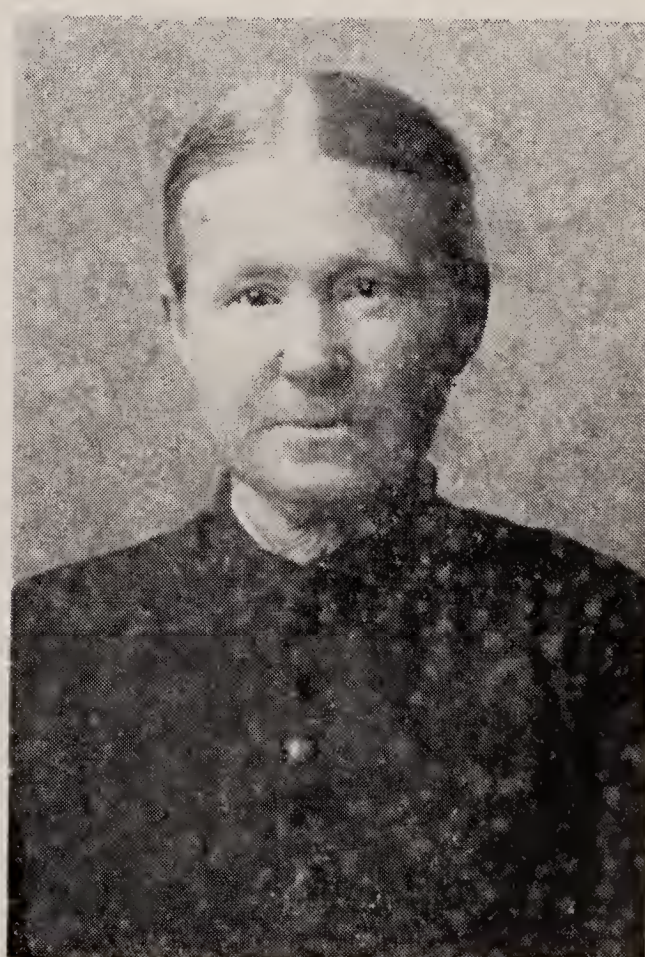
Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Pickens  
(fiftieth wedding anniversary,  
1950, Mt. Vernon, Wash.)



S. Wiley Pickens, son of Samuel and  
grandson of John and Letitia Hannah  
Pickens.



James D. Davis



Mrs. James D. Davis  
(Mary Jane Pickens, sister of S. Wiley  
Pickens).







Jan. 6, 1865 and died Feb. 14, 1899. She is buried beside her husband. The children of Andrew and Alice Henry Davis are:

1 Henry	b July	7, 1886
2 Margaret T.	b	
3 Mary Jane	b April	19, 1892
4 Samuel Omer	b May	11, 1896
1 Henry	d February	16, 1909
3 Mary Jane	d January	21, 1894

2. MARGARET T. DAVIS, called "Tish" by her friends, was born in Blount County. She received her education at Murphy College, Sevierville and at Chilhowee Institute, Sevier County. She has made Maryville her home for a number of years and for the past 28 years has been clerk and a very necessary and valuable part of the City Water Department at Maryville, Tennessee. She is a member and supporter of the Baptist Church of Maryville.

4. SAMUEL OMER DAVIS was born in Blount County and spent a good deal of his life in this section. He died July 14, 1946 and is buried at Sunnyside Cemetery, Long Beach, California where he had made his home for some years. He was Stationary Engineer for the Texas Oil Company of California. He married Norma Irene Henry, April 25, 1936 at Memphis, Tennessee. She was born at Rockford, Blount County, Tennessee, Aug. 29, 1902. She is the daughter of Mrs. Julia Brown Henry of Rockford and the late R. L. Henry. She attended the University of Tennessee and has taught for several years. While in California she taught some in Nursery schools and since her husband's death has returned to Rockford to live, where she makes a home for her children and teaches in the Rockford Grade School. The children of Omer and Irene Henry Davis were born in California and are:

(a) Robert Henry	b June	14, 1937
(b) Myrna Lou	b June	1, 1939

c. JOHN PICKENS DAVIS, third child of Samuel C. and Margaret Pickens Davis was born in Blount County, Tennessee Oct. 25, 1859. He died in the same county near Prospect church where he and his brother Andrew reared their families on adjacent land and in houses close to each other. He belonged to the Baptist Church but after marriage united with his wife in the Methodist Church. He died Aug. 21, 1909 and is buried at Bethlehem Church Cemetery. He married Nancy C. Henry Oct. 12, 1882; she was born June 26, 1867. She was a sister of Alice Henry who married Andrew Davis and a daughter of Rev. Hugh J. and Minerva Reagan Henry, a Methodist minister of Blount County. At the advanced age of eighty-four years and in feeble health she is now being cared for by her daughter, Mrs. Roxie Dukes in Maryville, Tennessee. The children of John and Nancy Henry Davis who were born in Blount County at the home near Prospect Church are:

1 Samuel Arthur	b August	22, 1883
2 Hugh Jackson	b April	3, 1885
3 William Gus	b July	15, 1887
4 James Victor	b March	1, 1892
5 Mary Roxie	b April	4, 1894
6 Margaret Emma	b July	13, 1898

7 Roy Franklin	b November	30, 1902
2 Hugh Jackson	d October	4, 1899
6 Margaret Emma	d June	21, 1899

1. SAMUEL ARTHUR DAVIS, oldest child of John and Nancy Henry Davis married Alice Headrick Aug. 24, 1913. She was the daughter of James and Rowena Clark Headrick who lived in Blount County on Ellijoy Creek, and was born Nov. 20, 1886. After their marriage the couple went to Los Angeles, California to live. There Samuel Arthur was employed with the Telephone Company. He was electrocuted at his work and was buried at the Odd Fellows Cemetery at Los Angeles. He died June 17, 1919. After his death the widow returned to Tennessee. She is a dressmaker at Maryville and an active worker in the Centennial Presbyterian church near Maryville. She has been treasurer of the Missionary Society for twenty-three years. The child of Samuel Arthur and Alice Headrick Davis was born in California and is:

(a) Bert Orlan                      b October              16, 1914

(a) BERT DAVIS married Eula Cunningham of Blount County June 26, 1936. He is a carpenter and lives near Maryville, Tennessee. Their children are:

(1) Sammy Orlan                      b December              27, 1938  
(2) Suzanne                              b July                      16, 1945

3. WILLIAM GUS DAVIS, third child of John and Nancy Henry Davis, was reared in Blount County. He lives at Vestal, near Knoxville and is employed at the Alcoa Aluminum Company. He married Rachel Cummings February 24, 1906. Their children are:

(a) Johnnie Mae                      b March                      25, 1907  
(b) Verna Alice                      b May                              5, 1909  
(c) Georgia Evelyn                      b September              24, 1911  
(d) Rebecca Kathleen              b November              20, 1917

(a) JOHNNIE MAY DAVIS married Howard T. Phelps. He is an employee of the Southern Railway. They live at Knoxville, Tennessee. They have one child:

(1) Jack Davis                      b December              18, 1929

(b). VERNA ALICE DAVIS married Fred Davis. He is a Dairy Inspector at Atlanta, Georgia where they make their home. There are no descendants.

(c). GEORGIA EVELYN DAVIS married Ernest Clark. He is a lumber inspector and they live at Erwin, Tennessee. Their child is:

(1) Janice Kay                      b May                              5, 1945

(d). REBECCA KATHLEEN DAVIS married Orville F. Watson. He is a guard at Oak Ridge, Tennessee where they make their home. Their child is:

(1) Nancy Gail                      b August                      19, 1942

4. JAMES VICTOR DAVIS, fourth child of John and Nancy Henry Davis was reared in Blount County. For a long while he has been in California. He married Martha Witherington there and has his own business of



moving houses. Their home is at Southgate, Cal., and their children are:

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| (1) John  | b about | 1914 |
| (2) Alice | b about | 1916 |

(1) JOHN DAVIS is married and lives near Hollywood, California, where he is a policeman.

(2) ALICE DAVIS works at the production of rubber for the Firestone Company, where she has short hours, good pay, and is much liked by her employers in this unusual field for a woman.

5. MARY ROXIE DAVIS, called Roxie, fifth child of John and Nancy Henry Davis, was raised in Blount County. She married Buford A. Dukes December 24, 1917. He was born April 16, 1881 at Piedmont, Tennessee, near Dandridge. He died June 21, 1947 at Hattiesburg, Miss., and was the son of Alexander P. and Mary Cates Dukes. His father started with his family on the wagon trail West when a young man, but became disheartened on the way and returned to the region of Dandridge where he married his sweetheart and lived all his life, never again seeing his family. Buford lived at Knoxville, Tennessee for a while after his marriage, and then the family moved to Hattiesburg, Mississippi, where he was Pine timber inspector for the Southern Railway. His body was returned here for burial at the Piedmont Cemetery.

Roxie Davis Dukes has done secretarial work at Knoxville and other places. After 23 years in Hattiesburg and at the death of her husband she returned to Tennessee. She lives at Maryville where she makes a home and cares for her aged mother. She was a Methodist but joined the Baptist Church with her husband. The child of Buford and Roxie Davie Dukes is:

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| (a) Buford A., Jr. | b December | 1, 1918 |
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(a). BUFORD DUKES, JR., was born at Knoxville, Tennessee. He was in the army for five years. He married Mary Martha Shaffer of Waco, Texas Jan. 26, 1943. They are Methodists and live in Harlingen, Texas where Buford, in the office of a Lumber Company, is learning the lumber business. They have one child:

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| i Martha Nan | b January | 21, 1944 |
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7. ROY FRANKLIN DAVIS, seventh child of John and Nancy Henry Davis was born, reared and still lives on the home-place which he has purchased. He is single and also is employed at the Aluminum Company at Alcoa.

VI. THOMAS M. PICKENS, sixth child of Samuel and Jane Cowan Pickens was born July 8, 1836 and lived in the 10th District of Sevier County all his life. He was living at the time of his death on land of his own near Ellijoy Church. He died Aug. 21, 1877 and is buried at the Ellijoy Church Cemetery. He was a farmer and was a Lieutenant in the Union army when it was first organized. The original Company was that of Co. A., third Tenn. Cavalry and was composed of Blount and Sevier County soldiers. Thomas married Sarah Rodgers November 28, 1859. She was born January 6, 1838, died January 9, 1913 and is buried beside her husband. The children of Thomas and Sarah Rodgers Pickens are:

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|-------------------|-----------|----------|
| a Samuel H.       | b January | 13, 1860 |
| b John Montgomery | b March   | 30, 1862 |

c James Wiley	b April	18, 1865
d Sarah Jane	b April	15, 1868
e Shaderick W.	b June	6, 1872
a Samuel H.	d Infancy	

b. JOHN M. PICKENS, second child of Thomas and Sarah Rodgers Pickens was born at the home in the 10th District of Sevier County. He died at Knoxville, Tennessee, Dec. 25, 1936 and is buried at Ellijoy. He married Mary Cusick, about 1894. She was the daughter of John and Cindy Cusick. She died in March 1907 or 1908 according to the best available record and is buried beside her husband. The children of John and Mary Cusick Pickens are:

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|----------------------|----------|----------|
| 1 Georgia Lee        | b August | 24, 1896 |
| 2 John Alger         | b August | 4, 1898  |
| 3 Carl Aurin         | b About  | 1900     |
| 4 Infant girl        | b About  | 1901     |
| 5 Ola Mae            | b May    | 5, 1905  |
| 6 Margaret Elizabeth | b About  | 1907     |
- 2 John Alger — whereabouts unknown since he disappeared as a young boy.
- 3 Carl Aurin—died when about two years old.
- 4 Infant girl—died when a week or so old.
- 6 Margaret Elizabeth — lived a few months and died about two weeks after her mother's death. All the children are buried at Ellijoy.

1. GEORGIA LEE PICKENS, oldest child of John and Mary Cusick Pickens was born in Sevier County, Tennessee. Her mother died when the children were little and their records were scattered or lost. She has sent what information she could and I got some from markers and the Bibles of other relatives. Georgia married James Andrew Marcus Willoughby Dec. 30, 1916. He was born Oct. 1, 1895 in Knox County.

He is the son of the late Etheldridge and Josie Evans Willoughby of Knox County. He is employed at the government printing office at Washington, D. C., where the family have made their home for a number of years. The children of James and Georgia Pickens Willoughby are:

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| (a) Joan LaVerne | b February | 1, 1918   |
| (b) Edith Hester | b July     | 20, 1919  |
| (c) Mildred June | b May      | 17, 1923  |
| (b) Edith Hester | d January  | 25, 1920. |

(b) She was born and is buried at Warren, Ohio.

(a). JOAN LAVERNE WILLOUGHBY was born in Knox County, Tennessee. She married Lt. George Alexander Aubrey July 27, 1940. They were married at the Metropolitan Baptist Church at Washington, D. C. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Norbert E. Aubrey of Annapolis, Maryland, where he was born May 12, 1917. He was graduated from the Military Academy at West Point, New York in June of 1940. He was a Major in the 87th Field Artillery in World War II and saw service of length in various foreign coun-



tries. He is now a Lieut.-Col. and stationed in Indiana. LaVerne graduated from Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee, in 1939. She taught in the public schools of Washington, D. C., while her husband was at war. The home is at Evansville, Indiana. They adopted a daughter in November, 1950. She was six months old then and her name is Martha Lee Aubrey.

(c). MILDRED WILLOUGHBY was born at Warren, Ohio. She served for some time around the year of 1944 as private secretary to the Ambassador of Peru at Washington, D. C. She married William Bowen of Jefferson City, Tennessee. He has been on various exploratory expeditions including those of the Byrd expeditions to the Arctic. He is now employed as a radio technician at a Naval station in Oakland, California. The family home is there and their children are:

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|----------------|-------------|
| (1) Laura Lee  | 5 years old |
| (2) Barbara    | 3 years old |
| (3) Nancy Joan | 3 mo. old   |

5. OLA MAE PICKENS, fifth child of John and Mary Cusick Pickens, was born in Knoxville, Tennessee. She married Earl Ethelbert Estle July 10, 1929 at Knoxville, Tenn. He was born May 6, 1896 in Morgantown, W. Va. The home is at Akron, Ohio and their child is:

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|----------------|-------|---------|
| (a) Wayne Carl | b May | 5, 1905 |
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c. JAMES WILEY PICKENS was the third child of Thomas and Sarah Rodgers Pickens. He was born April 18, 1865 in the 10th District of Sevier County. He lived in this District during his lifetime and died, on the farm formerly owned by his father, Aug. 9, 1940 and is buried at Ellijoy. He married Elizabeth McClanahan Dec. 20, 1894. She was born June 1, 1878, and is the daughter of Samuel and Rachel Davis McClanahan, deceased, of Sevier County. She lives now near Knoxville, Tennessee on the old Knoxville and Sevierville highway. The children of Wiley and Elizabeth McClanahan Pickens were all born at the Sevier County home and are:

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|---------------------|-------------|----------|
| 1 Thomas Montgomery | b November  | 2, 1895  |
| 2 Houston           | b November  | 3, 1897  |
| 3 Docie C.          | b June      | 1, 1899  |
| 4 Riley             | b December  | 14, 1901 |
| 5 Nettie            | b November  | 1, 1903  |
| 6 Andrew            | b February  | 23, 1905 |
| 7 Ethel Bertie      | b April     | 12, 1907 |
| 8 Dewey             | b March     | 12, 1910 |
| 9 Walter            | b July      | 25, 1913 |
| 10 Fred             | b August    | 27, 1915 |
| 3 Docie C.          | d September | 6, 1900  |
| 9 Walter            | d September | 5, 1934  |

1. THOMAS PICKENS, oldest son of Wiley and Elizabeth McClanahan Pickens was born, reared and still lives on the farm of his birth. He attended Chilhowee Institute and the family are supporters of the Baptist Church. He married Grace Viola Latham Feb. 22, 1933, who was born October 28, 1911. Their children are:

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|-------------------|------------|----------|
| (a) Robert Lee    | b December | 16, 1933 |
| (b) Elmer Houston | b November | 29, 1935 |

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| (c) Viola Mae     | b April  | 1, 1941  |
| (d) Thomas Harold | b August | 17, 1943 |

1. HOUSTON PICKENS, second child of Wiley and Elizabeth McClanahan Pickens, was born in Sevier County and lives with his mother on the old Sevierville Highway near Prospect Presbyterian Church. He is single and is employed in Knoxville.

4. RILEY PICKENS, fourth child of Wiley and Elizabeth McClanahan Pickens was born in Sevier County. He lives in Vestal and is employed in truck gardening. He married Olive H. Willoughby of Knox County, Tennessee, May 11, 1929. She was born June 23, 1901 and is a sister of James Willoughby, who married Georgia Pickens and a daughter of the late Etheldridge and Josie Evans Willoughby of Knox County. She is employed at a Knoxville store.

Their children are:

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|------------------------|-----------|----------|
| (a) Duane James        | b August  | 5, 1931  |
| (b) William Riley, Jr. | b October | 9, 1934  |
| (c) Bonnie Lee         | b August  | 12, 1941 |

5. NETTIE PICKENS, fifth child of Wiley and Elizabeth McClanahan Pickens, was reared in the Sevier County home. She married Eddie E. Warner, December 24, 1928 in Akron, Ohio. He was born February 9, 1900 in Campbellsville, Kentucky. He is employed at Warren, Ohio where the family still live. The child of Eddie and Nettie Pickens Warner is:

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|--------------------|-----------|----------|
| (a) Joan Elizabeth | b October | 27, 1932 |
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6. ANDREW PICKENS, sixth child of Wiley and Elizabeth Pickens was reared at the Sevier County home. He married Ellen Mize Feb. 12, 1935, who was born Feb. 10, 1909. They live on their farm near Greenback, Tennessee. Their child is:

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| (a) Leland | b August | 1, 1938 |
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7. ETHEL PICKENS, seventh child of Wiley and Elizabeth McClanahan Pickens, was reared at the Sevier County home. She married Andrew Mize and lived on a farm in Sevier County, died June 30, 1938 and is buried at Ellijoy. The children of Andrew and Ethel Mize are:

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|---------------------|------------|----------|
| (a) Mildred Imogene | b November | 14, 1931 |
| (b) Edith Faun      | b October  | 4, 1936  |
| (a) Mildred Imogene | d November | 15, 1938 |

8. DEWEY PICKENS, eighth child of Wiley and Elizabeth McClanahan Pickens, was born, reared, and still lives on the place of his birth. He and his brother Tom own the home place which contains land of two grandfathers, Thomas Pickens and Samuel McClanahan. Here they are farmers and stock dealers. Dewey married Mae Davis May 25, 1935. She was born May 4, 1917. Their children are:

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|-------------------|---------|----------|
| (a) Millie Evelyn | b April | 21, 1936 |
| (b) Barbara Jean  | b April | 12, 1940 |

10. FRED PICKENS, tenth child of Wiley and Elizabeth McClanahan Pickens, was reared in Sevier County. He lives near Knoxville, Tenn. He married first — Willie Henry and their children are:



(a) Paul, (b) Fred and (c) Glenda. They were separated and the two older children were reared by their grandmother, Mrs. Wiley Pickens and still make their home with her on the Sevierville Road. The second marriage was to Bobbie Jackson and there are three children: (d) James, (e) Johnnie and (f) Blenda.

d. SARAH JANE PICKENS, fourth child of Thomas and Sarah Rodgers Pickens was born April 15, 1868 and was reared at the Sevier County home. She died Aug. 18, 1942 at the home of her brother Shade Pickens in Knox County and is buried at the Ellijoy Church Cemetery. She married L. W. Rodgers, August 18, 1914. He was born Feb. 22, 1853, and died Jan. 3, 1932. He is buried in Texas where they had made their home for several years. There are no descendents. She was a sweet person liked by relatives and friends. A photo made as a young woman shows her to have been a very attractive and pretty young lady.

e. SHADERICK W. PICKENS, sixth child of Thomas and Sarah Rodgers Pickens was born June 6, 1872 in Sevier County and makes his home on the Old Knoxville and Sevierville Highway in Knox County, Tennessee. He married Sarah Reagan April 16, 1898, who was born March 10, 1868 in Sevier County Tennessee, died Jan. 19, 1949 and is buried at Ellijoy. The children of Shade and Sarah Reagan Pickens are:

1 Mary Jane	b February	14, 1899
2 D. H.	b November	7, 1902
3 James Thomas	b March	7, 1904
4 John Oliver	b December	23, 1907
5 William M. Gordon	b April	18, 1909
6 Infant	b	1911
2 D. H.	d February	14, 1903
6 Infant	d Day of b	1911

1. MARY JANE PICKENS, oldest child of Shade and Sarah Reagan Pickens was born in Sevier County. She died May 19, 1941, and is buried at Ellijoy. She married S. O. Davis. Their child is:

(a) J. W. (Burket)	b March	13, 1920
	d March	1, 1948

3. JAMES THOMAS PICKENS, third child of Shade and Sarah Reagan Pickens, was born in Knox County. He works for a Laundry Company and lives near his father. He married Kate Nelson Nov. 1, 1925, who was born May 14, 1908 and is the daughter of Joe and Mary Nelson. Their children are:

(a) Geraldine	b July	9, 1926
(b) James Victor	b March	2, 1928
(c) Billie Jean	b December	7, 1929
(d) Leon Curtis	b April	6, 1933
(e) Dana	b October	21, 1935

(a). GERALDINE PICKENS graduated from Young High School. She married John T. Day, Dec. 27, 1948 at Meridian Baptist Church. He is the son of Mrs. Cornelia Day of Oak Ridge, Tennessee. He served with the Navy in World War II for two and one-half years. He attended Lincoln Memorial University and graduated from the University of Tennessee in the College of

Business Administration in 1949. He is employed by a Surgical Supply Co., and their home is near Knoxville, Tennessee. Their child is:

(1) Lynn Diana                      b May                      22, 1949

(b). JAMES VICTOR PICKENS is single and lives at the home of his parents. He is employed at the Knoxville Wholesale Drug Co.

(c). BILLIE JEAN PICKENS graduated from Young High School. She married Earl Milburn Lowe Nov. 15, 1947 at the Meridian Baptist Church. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Lowe, Morton Road. He served two years with the Army in World War II and was in the European Theatre. He is with the Knoxville Journal. Their children are:

(1) Garry Stevens                      b August                      29, 1948

(2) Cynthia Ann                      b February                      9, 1950

4. JOHN OLIVER PICKENS, fourth child of Shade and Sarah Reagan Pickens was born in Sevier County. He lives near his father and operates the Sevier Heights Cleaning Establishment. He married Azalea Kidwell April 3, 1937. She was the daughter of John and Luella Rucker Kidwell. There are no descendents but the daughter of Mrs. Pickens by a former marriage is Mrs. Edward Lindsay Tauxe (Alma Muriel McPherson) who was married at the Island Home Baptist Church Nov. 6, 1949. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tauxe, 2303 Washington Avenue.

5. WILLIAM M. GORDON PICKENS, fifth child of Shade and Sarah Reagan Pickens, was born in Sevier County. He lives near his father and is employed at a Laundry. He married Ruth Rose who was born in Knox County and is the daughter of Oscar and Alice Julian Rose. The children of William and Ruth Rose Pickens are:

(a) Cartha Lynn                      b January                      13, 1934

(b) Jack M.                      b March                      20, 1935

(c) Helen S.                      b September                      6, 1938

(d) David Lee                      b December                      14, 1941

VII. MARY JANE PICKENS, seventh child of Samuel and Jane Cowan Pickens, was born Aug. 15, 1838 at the Sevier County home of her parents. She died Dec. 23, 1896 and is buried at Alder Branch Church, a few miles from Sevierville, Tennessee. She married James D. Davis Oct. 4, 1857. He was born May 17, 1836 in Blount County, Tennessee. He died Sept. 27, 1928 and is buried beside his wife. He married a second time a Miss Love. In an article from Goodspeed's History of East Tennessee, he says that he is the son of William and Jane Cusick Davis and that his father was a native of Carter County and the son of James Davis who came from North Carolina and was a pioneer of Carter and Blount Counties. He says also that his mother was a daughter of Samuel Cusick. At the time the article was written he says he owns 300 acres of well improved ground. Says also that he is a Baptist and a Democrat. The children of James D. and Mary Jane Pickens Davis are:

a Samuel Wiley                      b July                      21, 1858

b William L.                      b May                      28, 1861

c Thomas H.                      b August                      7, 1864

d Margaret Issabella                      b June                      13, 1867

e Mary Jane                      b September                      22, 1869



f John Oliver	b August	19, 1872
g James A.	b June	14, 1875
h Robert P. twins	b June	14, 1875
i Elizabeth Lou	b May	3, 1877
f John Oliver	d August	19, 1873
g James A.	d July	7, 1875
h Robert P.	d August	4, 1875

a. SAMUEL WILEY DAVIS, oldest child of James and Mary Jane Pickens Davis, was born July 21, 1858 in Sevier County, Tennessee. He died Dec. 5, 1911, at Knoxville, Tenn. He married Jean Buchanan Dec. 25, 1889. He was employed in the livery business. There was a son, Walter. All of the family have been dead a long while.

b. WILLIAM DAVIS, second child of James and Mary Jane Pickens Davis was born in Sevier County. He died at Englewood, Tennessee June 15, 1935. He is buried at Athens, Tennessee. He was a farmer and mail carrier in Sevier County and at Athens, Tennessee. He married Nancy Widener Nov. 27, 1884. She was born Feb. 18, 1863, lived in the region of Boyd's Creek, Sevier County, and now lives at Englewood. The children of William and Nancy Widener Davis are:

1. Hubert Lee	b January	21, 1886
2 James Pickens	b July	29, 1892
3 M. Quay	b September	18, 1895
4 Mac Graham	b January	28, 1903

1. HUBERT LEE DAVIS, oldest child of William and Nancy Widener Davis, was born in Sevier County, Tennessee. He lives at Athens, Tennessee, and is a farmer. His sons are:

- (a) Hubert Lee, Jr.    b about 1911
- (b) William

(a). H. L. DAVIS, Jr., is married and has two daughters and a son.

(b). WILLIAM DAVIS is a medical student.

2. JAMES PICKENS DAVIS, second child of William and Nancy Widener Davis, was born in Sevier County, Tennessee. He married Ina Virginia Patton, April 19, 1924. She was born May 20, 1891. He is employed as a representative of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. The family home is at Chattanooga. I had a nice letter and their information from there. Their children are:

- (a) James Pickens, Jr.    b October    10, 1927
  - (b) Carolyn Patton    b December    16, 1930
  - (c) Ina Houston    b January    14, 1933
- d May 25, 1934 and is buried at Richard City, Tennessee.

3. M. QUAY DAVIS, third child of William and Nancy Widener Davis, was born in Sevier County. I quote from his letter. "I, Quay Davis was born at Sevierville, Tennessee. My father moved to Englewood, McMinn County, Tennessee in 1900 where I spent my boyhood days. I graduated from High

School there in 1914. Afterwards completed a course from a commercial School at Knoxville, Tennessee where I located and have resided since."

"I was married on December 30, 1928 to Lou Louise Michler, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Michler, Sr., of Medford, Wisconsin. Their parents came to this country originally from Germany." Quay Davis has for a long time been employed at the Hamilton National Bank. They have a home in the country near Mt. Olive, where Mrs. Davis is employed as a teacher at the Mt. Olive school.

Their child is:

(a) Nancy Quay                      b August                      20, 1938

4. MAC GRAHAM DAVIS, fourth child of William and Nancy Widener Davis, was born in Sevier County. He married Helen Vandiver May 1, 1938. He is employed as a salesman for the Duro-Test Co. (lighting fixtures and globes). The home is at Nashville, Tennessee.

They have one child:

(a) Mac Graham Jr.                      b September                      25, 1940

c. THOMAS HOUSTON DAVIS, third child of James and Mary Jane Pickens Davis, was born in Sevier County, Tennessee, Aug. 7, 1864. He died at a Knoxville hospital August 1, 1929 and is buried at Alder Branch near Sevierville, Tennessee. At the time of his death an article appeared in a Knoxville newspaper from which I quote. "Davis' genius and fearlessness as a law enforcement officer was a household word in the South 30 years ago. More than any other one man he helped work the overthrow of the notorious White Caps, who terrorized the region of the Smoky foothills for years . . . After schooling at Carson-Newman College and Knoxville Business College and several years of teaching, he became deputy sheriff, the role in which he so distinguished himself by operations against the White Caps. Later he was elected sheriff of Sevier County.

"After peace returned to his county, Davis' man-hunting propensities carried him to other parts. He served as railroad detective in St. Louis during the World's Fair; did detective work in Florida, and later was police chief at Jellico and Etowah. He ran for sheriff of Knox County in 1920 and was defeated by only 164 votes.

"Two of Davis' achievements toward overthrow of the White Caps are best remembered. He toiled in the State Legislature for enactment of legal machinery necessary for the clean-up and got the Sevier court put on the Knoxville circuit. And he ran to earth two White Cap leaders after months of dogged pursuit through the Southern mountains and over Southwestern plains and deserts." He married Linnie A. Adams July 6, 1887.

She was the daughter of Thomas and Mary Hodges Adams and the granddaughter of the Rev. David D. Adams, who was founder of the Church Street Methodist Church, Knoxville, Tennessee. She died May 24, 1951 and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery.



Their children are:

1 Nona	b May	13, 1890
2 Lola	b October	14, 1896

1. NONA DAVIS graduated from High School and for several years has been a most efficient clerk in the loan department of Fidelity Bankers at Knoxville, Tennessee. She is a member of Central Methodist Church.

2. LOLA DAVIS graduated from the University of Tennessee and got her Masters degree from Columbia. She is employed in Child Welfare Work in the State Department and lives at Knoxville, Tennessee. She married A. R. Plummer. He is from West Virginia. He is a civil engineer and was disabled in World War II. Their child is:

(a) Clara	b November	8, 1930
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(a). CLARA PLUMMER finished High School at Knoxville High and married William J. Cummings of Knoxville, on June 18, 1949 in a ceremony at the First Presbyterian Church. William J. Cummings is a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army and is stationed in Berlin. His wife has been with him for some time and her mother visited there for some months. Their child was born in Germany and is:

(1) William Joseph Cummings, III	b July	27, 1950
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d. MARGARET ISSABELLA DAVIS, fourth child of James and Mary Pickens Davis, was born in Sevier County. She married John Fletcher Sharp June 13, 1888. They went to Oklahoma to live and when I heard from her with her record in 1943 she was living in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The children of Fletcher and Belle Davis Sharp are:

1 Nola Jeane	b March	23, 1889
2 Dixie Moore	b October	4, 1890
3 Bessie Kate	b December	19, 1893
4 Johnnie D.	b October	22, 1904
5 Glenn Lee	b	1908
6 Margaret May	b May	4, 1911
5 Glenn Lee	d July	4, 1908

1. NOLA JEANE SHARP married R. E. Martin.

2. DIXIE MOORE SHARP married R. W. Yakish. Their child is:

(a) Helen	b October	8, 1915
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3. BESSIE KATE SHARP married W. D. Patterson. Their children are:

(a) W. D. Jr.	b July	6, 1913
(b) Robert	b August	1915

4. JOHNNIE D. SHARP married Allen Cage. Their child is:

(a) Brent	b—
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6. MARGARET MAY SHARP married John C. O'Neal. Their child is:

(a) Margaret	b February	25, 1941
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e. MARY JANE DAVIS, fifth child of James and Mary Jane Pickens Davis, was born in Sevier County. She died near Sevierville, Tennessee March

20, 1939 and is buried at Alder Branch Cemetery. She was a Sunday School worker and faithful member of the Baptist Church for many years. She married Andrew H. Love, March 31, 1889, and lived near Sevierville. He died December 20, 1945. Their children are:

1 Horace Victor	b January	22, 1890
2 Georgia Mae	b July	9, 1892
3 Lola D.	b April	12, 1898
2 Georgia May	d September	25, 1896
3 Lola D.	d July	11, 1901

1. HORACE VICTOR LOVE married Lela McMahan September 15, 1914. She was born February 20, 1890 and died April 14, 1932. The children of Victor and Lela McMahan Love are:

(a) H. V., Jr.	b October	10, 1916
(b) Carolyn	b January	26, 1919
(c) Eleanor Shahan	b May	5, 1923
(d) Rose Marie	b March	29, 1930
(e) Lela Jane	b March	30, 1933
(a) H. V. Jr.	d May	10, 1936

(b) CAROLYN LOVE married Robert Arthur Riedel Oct. 2, 1948. Their child is:

(1) Robert Carroll	b June	27, 1949
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(c). ELEANOR LOVE married Emert Glenn Robertson Jan. 12, 1941. He is a teacher at Sevierville. Their child is:

(1) Ted Emert	b August	8, 1943
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i. ELIZABETH LOU DAVIS, ninth child of James and Mary Jane Pickens Davis, was born in Sevier County. She married Mack Hammer Feb. 2, 1897 and lived in the Boyd's Creek Community. She died May 18, 1900.

## ELEANOR PICKENS HENDERSON

I. ELEANOR PICKENS, ninth child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, was born at the home of her parents at Nail's Creek, Nov. 28, 1804. She died Sept. 6, 1874 and is buried at Red Hill, near Cleveland, Tennessee. Her marriage is recorded in Blount County, Tennessee and found in a list of Mr. Parham's Blount County marriages as "Ellen Pickens and Francis J. Henderson, March 11, 1823. Hugh Bogle, J. P. Francis Henderson was born presumably in Blount County, Jan. 12, 1800. He died near Cleveland, Tennessee Jan. 16, 1845 and is buried at Red Hill.

It appears from various transfers and inferences that Francis and Eloner Pickens Henderson first lived a few miles below Maryville. They had been married eight years at the time of the will of John Pickens when he willed his daughter Eloner a cow. They were probably living in Blount County at that time.



They moved to Bradley County, Tennessee and for their record from there I have relied upon letters and information from descendents of the couple. At the home of T. C. McCammon, Maryville, Tennessee I saw a letter from Bradley County, Tennessee, written by Robert P. Henderson to Thomas McCammon of Blount County. The letter was dated Nov. 8, 1864. In it he wanted to know if W. C. Pickens still lived in Knoxville or if he had been killed (in the Civil War). Also wanted transportation for two Henderson women. He stated: "we have some good land rented from Joseph Pickens. John and I are at Joseph Pickens now trying to sow our wheat. Joseph Pickens is now in Government work." Evidently the kin here knew who this Joseph Pickens was. He is not in our immediate line.

Mrs. W. H. Henderson, Dodd Lane, Cleveland, Tennessee has sent this information concerning the descendents. She writes: "Francis and Eloner Henderson made their home in the Red Hill community, about seven miles southeast of Cleveland, about one mile to the left of the Dalton Pike."

"In the early days Red Hill was a Methodist camp meeting site, with a large open shed. There was also a log schoolhouse. Later a two story frame house replaced the log one. Small dormitories were built so that students could come and batch or keep house and go to school. Grade and High School work was taught and teachers and other adult students came to this school. At present this school building has been connected with a community center and children are sent by bus to the consolidated schools at Waterville and Flint Springs."

She speaks of the Civil War days when the Hendersons "lost their horses, cows and food to bands of soldiers." Also says the Hendersons were farmers and carpenters and that Francis and Eloner were Presbyterians. Also mentions that as far as is known Letitia Henderson is the only member of the family to visit relatives in Tennessee and that was when she was quite a young lady.

Of the eight children only one married. She says the story has come down through the years that Eloner Pickens Henderson asked all her children to promise not to marry. All of them promised except Joseph and it is the descendents of this son who make the rest of this record. Eloner Henderson lost her husband 22 years after their marriage, while her death occurred 51 years after her marriage. Her youngest child was born after her husband's death. Probably the years alone and the duty of raising her eight children seemed a task from which she would spare her children.

The children of Francis and Eloner Pickens Henderson are:

I Elizabeth Jane	b April	7, 1826
II John T.	b March	12, 1828
III Isabella P.	b April	9, 1832
IV James P.	b May	8, 1834
V Margaret A.	b February	22, 1837
VI Robert P.	b December	16, 1839
VII Joseph E.	b August	10, 1842
VIII Letitia Hannah	b July	24, 1845
I Elizabeth Jane	d June	20, 1879
II John T.	d March	6, 1900

III Isabella P.	d December	7, 1915
IV James P.	d October	15, 1857
V Margaret A.	d July	29, 1838
VI Robert P.	d April	16, 1923
VIII Letitia Hannah	d September	12, 1929

The above children are all buried in and around Cleveland, part of them at Red Hill. Part of them were Presbyterians. Letitia Hannah Henderson, the youngest child was the last of the children to die. After her death the old home and furnishings were sold.

VII. JOSEPH HENDERSON, seventh child of Francis and Eloner Pickens Henderson, was reared at the old home. He died Jan. 11, 1912 and is buried at Red Hill, Cleveland, Tenn. He married Calidonia Carson, of near Cleveland, Jan. 22, 1874. She died March 31, 1900.

Joseph Henderson lived in and around Cleveland all his life. He was a contractor and worked some at Chattanooga. He was Deputy Sheriff of Bradley County and Road Commissioner part of the time. Part of the family belonged to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

The children of Joseph and Calidonia Carson Henderson are:

a John Robert (Bob)	b November	30, 1874
b Samuel Pickens	b March	18, 1877
c Ella Elizabeth	b May	4, 1879
d Frank	b June	6, 1881
e Mamie	b July	24, 1884
f William Henry twins	b August	28, 1888
g Lillie Letitia	b August	28, 1888
h Bascom	b August	6, 1890
i Maggie	b November	17, 1893

a. JOHN ROBERT (BOB) HENDERSON died Aug. 19, 1929. He was a deacon in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Cleveland. He was a member of the W.O.W. Lodge. He was County Court Clerk of Bradley County from 1918 to 1922. He was active in civic affairs and chairman of the Executive Committee of Bradley County Republicans. He owned a building material mill which burned in 1925, and was a contractor.

Bob Henderson married Nellie Mae Samples in Nov., 1899. She was born Sept. 24, 1876 and died some years later. He married second, Mary Louisa Pirkle Aug. 15, 1926, with whom he lived until his death. He was buried at Fort Hill Cemetery. The children of Bob and Nellie Samples Henderson are:

1 Paul Pascal	b February	23, 1901
2 John Wesley	b September	17, 1902
3 Glenn Augusta	b January	28, 1905

1. PAUL P. HENDERSON was educated in the Cleveland schools and Mountain City Business College at Chattanooga. He is one of Cleveland's leading building contractors and has worked in Tennessee and Florida. He married Mrs. Mardell Wingo Foley May 9, 1942. She was born July 1, 1903. They have no children but she has two daughters by a former marriage. They are: Mrs. Jack Hampton of Cleveland who has children, Susan, Sherry and Janice



and Mrs. Merlin E. Lowe of Birmingham, Ala., who has children, Margo and Debra.

2. John Wesley Henderson received the same education as his brother. He is a carpenter. He married Bertha Goins. She was born August 26, 1902. Their children are:

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|---------------------|-----------|----------|
| (a) Glenn Elizabeth | b January | 27, 1921 |
| (b) Robert Henry    | b March   | 9, 1923  |

(a). GLENN ELIZABETH HENDERSON was educated in the Cleveland schools. She married Charley Evans, a private in the Marines. Their child is:

(1) Stephen Columbus

(b). ROBERT HENRY HENDERSON was educated in Bradley schools and called into service in World War II Jan. 8, 1943. He was stationed in the South Pacific, held the rank of Sergeant, and was discharged Dec. 25, 1946. He married Inez Rodgers. They live at Oak Ridge where Robert works as an Electrical Engineer.

3. GLENN AUGUSTA HENDERSON was educated in the Bradley schools and Mountain City Business College, Chattanooga. He has been employed in banks but is now in the Insurance business with his daughter Wanda. He married Alice Rhoda Musgrave March 3, 1922. She was born July 2, 1905. Their children are:

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|-------------------|-------------|----------|
| (a) Wanda Mae     | b July      | 16, 1923 |
| (b) Mary Glendean | b           |          |
| (c) Donald Ray    | b September | 30, 1931 |

(a). WANDA MAE HENDERSON was educated in the Bradley schools and married Kenneth L. McCreary April 11, 1947. There are no children.

(b). MARY GLENDEAN HENDERSON was educated in the Bradley schools and T.P.I. at Cookeville, Tennessee. She married A. C. Condra Sept. 8, 1949. Their child is:

(1) Larry A.                      b March                      7, 1951

(c). DONALD RAY HENDERSON attended the Bradley schools and T.M.I. at Sweetwater, Tennessee and is now at T.P.I. at Cookeville, Tenn.

b. SAMUEL PICKENS HENDERSON, second child of Joseph and Calidonia Carson Henderson, was born March 18, 1877. He died May 23, 1941. A newspaper clipping of his obituary reveals this about him: "He came to Chattanooga thirty years ago and settled in St. Elmo. He had several years' experience as a peace officer before he came to Chattanooga, and shortly after arriving here he was commissioned as a deputy sheriff. Later he became Town Marshall in St. Elmo before the township was annexed to Chattanooga. He was chief deputy sheriff of Hamilton County in the early "twenties" for two years, a revenue agent in the early days of prohibition, and as such was widely known in local law enforcement circles. He had the reputation of being a fearless officer. He also served as constable from the old second Hamilton county district. In all he spent twenty-eight years as a peace officer." He was active in republican politics. He was buried at Fort Hill cemetery at Cleve-

land, Tennessee. He married Sarah Etta Keasling Nov., 1899. She was born Feb. 21, 1877 and died July 22, 1931. Their children are:

1 Amarilla	b April	22, 1902
2 Anna Belle twins	b May	18, 1904
3 Samuel Raymond	b May	18, 1904
4 William Henry	b August	2, 1909
5 Robert	b and d	1913
1 Amarilla	d	1903

2. ANNA BELLE HENDERSON, twin, married Nelson Butler Varnell Dec. 21, 1922. Their children are:

(a) Sarah Elizabeth	b November	26, 1923
(b) Alberta Louise	b April	19, 1925
	d October	13, 1929

(a). SARAH ELIZABETH VARNELL married Rex Pettyjohn July 21, 1946. Their child is:

(1) Susan Elizabeth	b June	4, 1947
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Anna Belle Henderson was divorced from Nelson Butler Varnell Dec. 8, 1932 and married John Arthur Ward Jan. 5, 1947. The home is in Chattanooga, Tenn.

3. SAMUEL RAYMOND HENDERSON, twin, married Madelyn De Vergie Harvey Nov. 19, 1935. There are no children. He is a druggist at Jasper, Tennessee.

4. WILLIAM HENRY HENDERSON married Ida Elizabeth Spencer July 21, 1940. No descendents. The home is at Chattanooga, Tennessee.

c. ELLA ELIZABETH HENDERSON, third child of Joseph and Calidonia Carson Henderson, was born May 4, 1879. She married Thomas Edward Ball, Feb. 1899. He died Nov. 23, 1929 and is buried at Fort Hill. He was a brick and rock mason and a carpenter. The family lived in Missouri in their early married life where Mr. Ball did construction work on the railroad. The family was connected with the Big Springs Baptist Church. Mrs. Ball lives at Cleveland, Tennessee. The children of Thomas and Ella Henderson Ball are:

1 Cora	b January	14, 1900
2 W. Goble	b October	1, 1901
3 Myrtle	b July	7, 1904
4 Mae	b July	20, 1910
5 Carl Louis	b October	25, 1914
6 Alma Ruth	b August	17, 1917

1. CORA BALL married Chester Kendall. They lived for several years at Sand Mountain, Ala. Chester Ball died a few weeks before the birth of his youngest child. The widow lives in Chattanooga and is a dressmaker. The children of Chester and Cora Ball are:

(a) Ruth—married	(d) Edward
(b) Earl—married	(e) Cecil
(c) Lucile—married	(f) Mary Ella—married

2. W. GOBLE BALL is a tile layer. In World War II he worked on





Joseph E. Henderson, son of Francis J. and Eleanor Pickens Henderson and grandson of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens. Mrs. Joseph Henderson.





dams in Tennessee and North Carolina. He married Luna Ellington Dec. 7, 1929. The home is in Chattanooga. There are no children but they have an adopted daughter Linda, born May 17, 1948.

3. MYRTLE BALL was born in Missouri. She was educated in the Bradley schools and married Lake Tedford Oct. 31, 1924. He was born July 7, 1898. They are active in the work of the Big Spring Baptist Church. Their children are:

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|-----------------|--------|---------|
| (a) Dorothy Lee | b July | 4, 1926 |
| (b) David       |        |         |

(a). DOROTHY LEE TEDFORD was educated in the Bradley schools and married J. D. Williams July 18, 1944. Their children are:

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| (1) Lakeanna      | b September | 5, 1945  |
| (2) James Dearing | b May       | 31, 1948 |

4. MAE BALL was educated in the Bradley schools and married William Wooden July 6, 1929. He was born in 1909. The family lives in Cleveland, Tennessee and are members of Big Springs Baptist Church. The children of William and Mae Ball Wooden are:

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|--------------------|-------------|-----------|
| (a) Gene           | b April     | 1, 1930   |
| (b) Betty          | b September | 29, 1931  |
| (c) Tommy          | b January   | 7, 1933.  |
| (d) Ann Elizabeth  | b May       | 18, 1934. |
| (e) Evelyn Pauline | b December  | 7, 1933   |

(a). GENE WOODEN was educated in the Bradley schools. He is now serving overseas in the U. S. Navy.

(b). BETTY WOODEN was educated in the Bradley schools.

5. CARL LOUIS BALL is an auto mechanic. He worked in Detroit, Mich. during World War II. He married Mary Catherine Geren April 8, 1937. She was born Aug. 13, 1918. The home is in Chattanooga and their child is:

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| (a) Catherine Juanita | b January | 8, 1940 |
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6. ALMA RUTH BALL married Don Brewer and the home is in Cleveland, Tennessee. They have three children.

d. FRANK HENDERSON, fourth child of Joseph and Calidonia Carson Henderson, was born June 6, 1881. He died in March 1922. He went to Missouri when a young man and worked on railroad construction. He married Ethel . There were three girls — Opal, Daisy and Margaret, the second of whom is dead. Opal married a Mr. Patterson. Frank Henderson's wife married again after the death of her first husband. The home is near Webb City, Mo.

e. MAMIE HENDERSON, fifth child of Joseph and Calidonia Carson Henderson, was born July 24, 1884. She died in 1938. She went to Missouri with her sister Mrs. Ella Ball and while there married Lee Samples of Cleveland, Tennessee. They went to Ohio to live and their children are: Lilburn, Austia and Dolly May. These children are married and are thought to be living in Ohio. Lee Samples married again after the death of his wife.

f. WILLIAM HENRY HENDERSON (twin), sixth child of Joseph and Calidonia Carson Henderson, was born Aug. 28, 1888. As a young man he farmed, logged and timbered and sawmilled in the southern part of Bradley County and northern Georgia, with his brother Bass. He went to Ohio when he was about 25 and spent a summer. It was thought he might follow in the steps of his uncles and remain a bachelor. But Miss Sally Taylor of Joppa, Grainger County, Tennessee came to visit relatives near Red Hill and married William Henderson. She died March 2, 1919. She was born July 14, 1896 and is buried at Fort Hill. There were no children.

A few months later another girl came for a visit to her sister, Mrs. David Goble on the same farm as Will lived. The girl was Lillie Katherine Franklin of Sevierville, Tennessee. She was born in Tennessee but her family went to the State of Washington when she was a child of nine or ten but moved back to Tennessee in Sept., 1910. She was educated in Washington public schools and Smoky Mountain Academy, a Baptist School in Sevier County. Lillie Franklin was born July 22, 1891. She and Will Henderson were married May 12, 1920 at the home of the bride near Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. Both joined the First Baptist Church at Cleveland in 1920. They belong now to the Big Spring Baptist Church.

In the Summer of 1925 Will Henderson and family moved to Florida and stayed ten months. There Will did carpenter work and has done so along with his farming. During World War II he worked for the government at Tulahoma, Oak Ridge and Chattanooga, Tennessee. The family home is now at the edge of Cleveland, Tennessee. I was in their home for a little while and Mrs. Henderson is the one who is responsible for sending the later history of the family. The children of Will and Lillie Franklin Henderson are:

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|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| 1 Ruby Kathleen | b June    | 3, 1924 |
| 2 Ralph Kenneth | b January | 8, 1926 |

1. RUBY KATHLEEN HENDERSON was born in Georgetown, Tennessee. She was educated in the Bradley public schools, Mars Hill College, North Carolina and received her B.A. degree from Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee. She taught two years and is now connected with the Bradley County Welfare Dept. She is leader for the Intermediates in the Bradley County Baptist Association.

2. RALPH KENNETH HENDERSON was born in Lake Stearns, Florida. He was educated in the Bradley schools. He was in World War II from 1944-1946. He married Ila Mae Jenkins July 3, 1944. She was born Dec. 3, 1925 in Cleveland which is also the present home of the family. Their children are:

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|----------------|-----------|----------|
| (a) Gail Ann   | b October | 17, 1947 |
| (b) Martha Sue | b March   | 12, 1951 |

g. LILLIE LETITIA HENDERSON, (twin), and seventh child of Joseph and Calidonia Carson Henderson, was born Aug. 28, 1888. She died May 24, 1936. She married Zeb Butcher, an Englishman, who was in the insurance business. In about two years he died of food poisoning, in Florida. She later married Chester Pirkle and they made their home in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Their children are:

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|------------------|------------|----------|
| 1 Flossie        | b July     | 18, 1916 |
| 2 Chester G. Jr. | b December | 12, 1924 |



1. FLOSSIE PIRKLE was educated in the Chattanooga schools. She married William Roy Johnson April 1936. He was born May 20, 1916. As a young man he joined the Home Guards, later the Army and was in Germany during World War II and for two years during the time of occupation. He has the rank of Lt. Col. and has spent 16 years in the army. He works now in Washington, D. C., where the family make their home. Their children are:

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|-------------------|-----------|----------|
| (a) LeRoy         | b January | 21, 1937 |
| (b) Harriet Helen | b March   | 11, 1944 |

2. CHESTER G. PIRKLE, Jr., was educated in Chattanooga and Cleveland schools. He was in World War II as a Corporal with 32 months of service, six of which were spent overseas. He married Erma Ruth Pierce Jan. 4, 1947. She was born Dec. 18, 1926. The home is in Cleveland, Tennessee and there are no children.

h. BASCOM HENDERSON, eighth child of Joseph and Calidonia Henderson, was born Aug. 6, 1890, died Aug. 23, 1937. He lived near Winchester, Tennessee and he and his wife are buried there. He was a farmer, logger and sawmill man. He married Lizzie Barnard Sept. 9, 1913 at Chattanooga, Tennessee. She was born Nov. 6, 1883 at Tate, Tennessee and was the daughter of A. Barnard (1861-1939) and his wife Celia Barnard who died March 17, 1949. Lizzie Barnard Henderson died Jan. 16, 1941. Their children are:

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| 1 Gladys   | b August   | 30, 1914 |
| 2 Marjorie | b December | 24, 1919 |

1. GLADYS HENDERSON died May 29, 1933. She had graduated from Winchester High School that year.

2. MARJORIE HENDERSON was educated in the Winchester schools. She married Leon Hittson March 9, 1941 at Manchester, Tennessee. He was born Oct. 24, 1919 at Viola, Tennessee and is the son of Willie and W. M. Hittson. The home is at Winchester, Tennessee.

i. MAGGIE HENDERSON, ninth child of Joseph and Calidonia Carson Henderson, was born Nov. 17, 1893 in Bradley County. She married Byrd McSpadden Jan. 26, 1912. He was born Jan. 9, 1888. He died Feb. 25, 1920 and is buried at Red Hill, Cleveland. Their children are:

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|---------|------------|----------|
| 1 Marie | b January  | 3, 1914  |
| 2 Irene | b April    | 24, 1915 |
| 3 J. B. | b April    | 12, 1918 |
| 4 J. D. | b November | 26, 1919 |
| 3 J. B. | d January  | 31, 1921 |

Mrs. Maggie Henderson McSpadden married, second, Frank Rodgers Nov. 15, 1921. The home is in Cleveland, Tennessee and there are no descendents.

1. MARIE McSPADDEN married Clinton Bennett July 30, 1932. The home is at Cleveland, Tennessee and their children are:

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|-------------------|------------|----------|
| (a) Maggie Marie  | b November | 28, 1934 |
| (b) James Melford | b July     | 7, 1937  |

2. IRENE McSPADDEN married John Bailey Jan. 9, 1933. The home is near Cleveland, Tennessee and their children are:

(a) Donal	b December	11, 1933
(b) Doyle	b February	8, 1937
(c) Joseph	b November	9, 1939
(d) Lillian	b November	25, 1941
(e) Juanita	b June	10, 1943
(f) Ruby	b June	4, 1945
(g) Jeraldine	b October	11, 1947
(h) Bobbie	b April	4, 1950

3. J. D. McSPADDEN served four years in the Army in World War II. He married Marjorie Gibson July 7, 1939. No children were born to this union which was dissolved Jan. 9, 1944. He married, second, Murriell Smith Sept. 7, 1946. The home is in Cleveland, Tennessee and their child is:

(a) Catherine McSpadden b September 27, 1949

## ALEXANDER HARRISON PICKENS

J. ALEXANDER HARRISON PICKENS, tenth child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens was born Oct. 10, 1807, at the homestead of his father on Nail's Creek, Blount County, Tennessee. He died Aug. 24, 1844 at his home on Nail's Creek and is buried in the Eusebia Cemetery.

He married Cynthia Cowan Pickens about the year 1829. She was born Jan. 16, 1811 in Tennessee and reared at Boyd's Creek, Sevier County, Tennessee. Her ancestry has not been completed but she was related to both the Cowans in Blount and those of Sevier County and those in Knox County are probably in the same line. She died at her home in Knox County, Feb. 4, 1889 and is buried beside her husband.

Little is known of Alexander Pickens. His life was cut short in his early manhood. In the will of his father, Alexander was willed, "One part of the land where he now lives with my part of the mill." The inference is that he may have owned a part of the mill and that he was a partner in operating it, maybe with his brothers, but since the mill is not mentioned in the will except in regard to Alexander, he and his father may have been the only partners, and the bequest of his father made him sole owner.

I have been unable to find any record of the disposal of this property. I have been told that a small part of the John Pickens land was in Knox County. I had always thought that the Alexander Pickens children were born in Blount County, but found in my father's army record that he was born in Knox County. By a process of reasoning I am convinced that the place of birth of the Alexander Pickens children was at the location willed by old John and simply a part of the Blount County farm in the edge of Knox County. I have thus assumed Knox County to be the birth place of all the children.

I cannot say of a surety where Alexander and family lived up to 1844. There is a record at the Blount County Court House where Alexander Pickens



bought land on Nail's Creek, Blount County, Tennessee, Feb. 14, 1844. The land was in the 13th District and the purchase was made from Samuel and James Kennedy of Knox County, Tennessee. The acreage was 135 and one-half acres and the price was 210 dollars. James McClurg had property on one side of the farm and witnesses were James McClurg and Archibald A. Blackburn. The deed was registered Feb. 26, 1844.

Alexander Pickens gave a trust deed on this property Feb. 24, 1844. It was made to Hiram Bogle and was registered Feb. 26, 1844. The land is described here as being at the foot of Bays Mountain and crossing the creek to James McClurg's line. The land was unincumbered and, "this deed is made for the following uses and trusts and for no other purposes, that is to say, I am indebted to one Robert Pickens in the sum of three hundred and twenty dollars by note, under seal due the 1st day of Feb. 1844 and am desirous to secure and make certain the payment of the same. Now if I should pay the said debt in ten months from this date, then this deed is to be void. But if I should not, then the said Hiram Bogle, as trustee, after giving twenty days notice in writing at the Court House door of said county, at the election ground of the 13th Civil District, and three other public places in the neighborhood, shall expose to public sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash and appropriate the funds; first to the payment of the necessary expenses and costs, and secondly to the satisfaction of said debt of three hundred and twenty dollars, and thirdly, to pay the balance, if any there be, to me." The deed was witnessed by John Bogle and Archibald A. Blackburn.

Alexander died in less than seven months after the purchase of the farm. No sale was made on the date set forth in the trust deed. It was not until Nov. 5, 1849, a little more than five years after the death of Alexander, that the land still unincumbered was sold at auction. The highest and last bidder was Thomas Pickens with the bid of four hundred and twenty-five dollars. Witnesses were Samuel K. Finley, Jacob Long and Hiram Bogle.

Since her brother-in-law became the owner of the farm Cynthia Cowan Pickens and her family probably remained as renters on their former farm until the time they left for Knox County after the Civil War had ended. Certain it is that they remained in the Eusebia section for more than five years after the death of Alexander. The widow was left with six children between the ages of one and fourteen. The eldest child was a daughter who died on the farm a month after her father and is buried with her parents.

Cynthia Cowan Pickens faced the tasks and sorrows of her widowhood with great faith and courage as evidenced not only by the praise of her children but from the commendation of friends and acquaintances as well. She made a Christian home for her children and reared them to the best of her ability. On Oct. 19, 1845, according to an old record of Eusebia church, Cynthia Cowan Pickens joined Eusebia church by examination. She had probably been a member of another denomination. On June 1, 1846 she presented for christening her five remaining children, William Cowan, John, Samuel, Alexander Harrison and Letitia Isabella. Eusebia church was a great bulwark to her and she always loved it, though later removed from its nearness. Through the trying years of the Civil War she lived in the Eusebia section. Two sons enlisted, Samuel and William, with the latter not to return.

About 1868 she left this beloved section to live in Knox County, Tennessee. After a short period of living on rented land, Samuel and Harrison purchased land in the 13th District, separated from Blount County by Stock Creek and on the Knoxville and Maryville Highway. Here she lived with her sons, visiting Samuel and Letitia after their marriages, but making her home with Harrison at whose home she died. In the years of her location here she endeared herself to the neighbors and those with whom she came in contact. She was loved almost as much by her daughters-in-law as by her children and her memory is greatly revered by those who knew her and by others of us who know her only from stories of her life.

The children of Alexander and Cynthia Cowan Pickens are:

I Margaret Jane	b July	15, 1830
II William Cowan	b March	16, 1832
III John	b May	15, 1834
IV Samuel	b December	19, 1836
V Alexander Harrison	b May	25, 1840
VI Letitia Issabella	b January	15, 1843
I Margaret Jane	d September	25, 1844

II. WILLIAM COWAN PICKENS, second child of Alexander and Cynthia Cowan Pickens, was born in Knox County, Tennessee, on the farm of the old John Pickens homestead. He joined the Union army probably on Sept. 10, 1863, as that is the date that his brother Samuel enlisted. He was in Company H. of the 3rd Tennessee Cavalry. He served with honor through the period of his enlistment to the close of the war when he was placed aboard the steamship Sultana to be taken to Camp Chase to be discharged. On the 27th of April, 1865 he was drowned in the explosion of this boat, which has been explained elsewhere. At the time of the explosion he was asleep on deck with his brother Samuel. Nothing further was ever heard of him. He could not swim, and many who could, had little chance to save themselves.

He was a nice-looking man of rather slight build and fairly tall. He is said to have been a Christian gentleman and certainly he was a patriotic citizen and soldier.

I have been lucky in having at hand several receipts from him and his family and am quoting from them quite freely, since the descendents of this family, mostly in Oregon, have had no chance to know first hand information of their ancestors here, and feel that any facts I could include might aid a little in the story of their immediate ancestry.

I possess these papers simply because my father was connected in various business transactions as executor for his brother's family. He had not destroyed either his own receipts or those he possessed from the William Pickens family. I hung on to them and they have been most valuable in confirming dates and furnishing interesting items for the record. If I could have had access to similar receipts in many homes, the task of finding family history might have been simplified and I would have been glad to include such interesting bits of information as might have been revealed.

In the microfilm of 1850 at the Library at Knoxville, William Pickens is listed as the farmer of the family of his widowed mother. He was eighteen



and they lived in Blount County, in the 12 District (now 13th).

I have a receipt given to W. C. Pickens for the year 1859. It is for taxes and the amount is for seventy-five cents. The clerk is James D. Lawson and the district is the 10th, though it is hard to discern the county. It is most certainly Sevier County as William did not own property at this time and as far as I have been able to tell, did not ever live in the 11th district of Blount County where his family later lived. My inference as to Sevier County is approved by the present County Court Clerk of Blount County who says that the 10th District of Blount County is in the southern part of the county far away from the usual habitation of the Pickens and Tipton people. He says also that Lawson is a Sevier County name. Partly on this receipt, I am assuming that the children of W. C. Pickens and wife were born in Sevier County, where the parents and numerous relatives of the wife of William Pickens lived. The little receipt is written in long hand on a tiny scrap of seemingly hand-made paper, one inch by seven in size.

There is the record that Samuel M. Thompson had made oath in the Circuit Court of Blount County that he had lost a note for a small amount, made to him by William C. Pickens about April 15, 1863. Thomas D. Tipton's name was also on the note. He was probably a brother-in-law to William Pickens.

Then there is the last notation on hand concerning William Pickens. It is one sent by my father and reads. "Mr. J. D. Davis: this is to certify that W. C. Pickens estate is due to James Stafford \$47 which will be paid when his back pay and bounty are collected." This statement was seven months after the death of William Pickens.

William Pickens married Mary (Polly) Tipton about 1850. She was born about 1833, died Dec. 17, 1881, at her home in the 11th District of Blount County and is buried at Mount Olive Church Yard in Knox County. She was the daughter of Benjamin and Nancy Brooks Tipton who lived in Sevier County, about two miles from Trundles Cross Roads or about two miles from Whalen's Mill and near Post Oak Church, and back toward the mountains from Knob Creek, where they owned much land.

This information was given to me by Benton Pickens, son of William, in an interview not long before his death. I found the record from Ellijoy Cemetery of Benjamin I. Tipton, b-Dec. 10, 1802 and d-April 11, 1871, and of his wife Nancy who was b-1804 and d-March 25, 1891. I take these to be the parents of Mary Tipton Pickens.

The children of Ben and Nancy Brooks Tipton as given to me by cousin Benton were:

- 1 Cindy—married a Cusick.
- 2 Betsy—married a Cusick.
- 3 Lucinda—married a Thompson and went West.
- 4 Margaret—married (maybe) a Thompson and went West.
- 5 Mary—married William Pickens.
- 6 Victoria—married a Johnson.
- 7 Caswell (Cad)—married a Wade.
- 8 Thomas—went West.

Aunt Polly Tipton Pickens was left, as many others, with a heavy load to carry at the close of the Civil War. There were six children between the ages of six and fifteen years. The exact date as to when the family came to Blount County to live is unknown. Cousin Benton told me they were raised in the 11th district home that was theirs in later years, but I am certain with much search and study that the children got their start in Sevier County. Several tax receipts show payment of taxes in the 11th district of Blount County between the years of 1870-1880. I don't know the date of the first purchase of property here but the first tax receipt on hand was for the year 1870. Small notes are found for the years 1876-1878. One of them was a mechanics lien of twenty-four dollars for work to be done on the homestead, and was dated July 12, 1876. Nancy Tipton, J. C. Ellis and Samuel Cusick were names to whom other notes for very small amounts were made.

In those days, friends and relatives were the bankers. A man's word was his bond and reputable persons borrowed at will as was necessary. The small amounts of money needed then in comparison with the demands of our deflated dollar is of startling interest. A receipt was given to Mary Pickens from Dr. R. W. Goddard for six dollars and was dated Jan. 17, 1863. This, of course, was during the Civil War period. Another receipt was given to Mrs. Mary Pickens from the Rockford Mfg. Co. Jan 29, 1874.

Mrs. Haynes, an old resident here and sister of Mrs. James Pickens, deceased, of Oregon, said she was sure William Pickens did not live in Blount County. She said Mrs. Pickens and family first lived in a big log house and that she is sure they built the large frame house nearby and which is still standing. It is of the ell type and is of firm construction. The place is on Roddy's Branch, near Rockford, Tenn.

I found a record of purchase on Sept. 1, 1879 of at least a large part of the Mary Tipton Pickens place. Aunt Polly bought it from H. M. Wilson (administrator of the estate of R. I. Wilson, deceased) of Knox County, Tennessee. Fifteen hundred dollars cash was paid for it and it was bounded in part by Andrew Porter and Addison Hall.

On this farm Mary Pickens completed the rearing of her children and at this home in which she had lived for several years, she died. Not much is known of her life except that she had to be courageous, frugal, enterprising and a good manager to come through the difficulties of rearing her family. The home was a Christian one and the members of the family were Baptist.

There is a record at the Blount County Court House in the Register's office as quote, "Benjamin J. Pickens, Alexander Pickens, Nancy J. Householder, James H. Pickens, M. J. Householder and Samuel Pickens, all residing in the state of Oregon, appoint Samuel Pickens of Knox County, Tennessee executor and lawful attorney for us for the estate of Mary Pickens." The date was Feb. 12, 1883.

The property was sold at auction June 28, 1887. The purchaser was R. A. Sharp, a neighbor. The price was \$1760. There were 160 acres (more or less) and the farm is mentioned as the Frank Lanter farm. He was probably the earliest or a very early owner of the farm.



The children of William and Mary Tipton Pickens are:

a Alexander	b About	1851
b Nancy Elizabeth	b August	2, 1852
c James	b About	1854
d Margaret	b About	1856
e Benjamin J.	b December	29, 1857
f Samuel	b December	1, 1861

a. ALEXANDER PICKENS, oldest child of William and Mary Tipton Pickens, came to Blount County with his mother and lived here until he was about thirty years of age when he went to Oregon, then California, where later contact with him was lost by all relatives.

He paid poll taxes in Blount County, Jan. 5, 1874, which gives a clue to his age. By those who knew the family he was known to be the oldest child in the family. With records lost it has been impossible to discover exact dates for all of this family. Where the approximate dates are given, they are as correct as could be determined.

There is a story about Alexander Pickens which is too good to keep. I was at first credulous of the tale, but it has been fully verified by relatives and friends. It seems that Alexander was to be married to a young lady of Blount County. He and his friend Will Shaver set out on horses to obtain the license at Maryville. At the Post Office, there was a letter informing the said Alexander that his bride-to-be had eloped with another fellow.

However great the personal chagrin or disappointment, that was not the only problem. The "infare dinner" was to be given at the home of Alexander the following evening. In case any do not know about an infare dinner, it was the custom for the groom's family to welcome the bride with a dinner the next day or at some time very soon after the wedding. This meal was called the "infare dinner." Friends and relatives had been invited to the Pickens home and between the two men a scheme devolved to meet this situation. The night was spent at the Shaver home where Mrs. Shaver lent her aid to the plan.

The next night the dinner ready, guests eagerly awaited the bride and groom. Their coming was announced and they started to alight. Alexander's grandmother Pickens, peering out the window, exclaimed about how tall the bride was and that she never saw anyone so awkward getting off a horse (side-saddle). On they came, when to the consternation and glee of all, the bride turned out to be Will Shaver dressed in womens' apparel. Thus the occasion became one of merriment which could hardly hold any element of disappointment and appears to be a mighty clever solution to an awkward situation.

Alexander Pickens married Minervia Jane Williams the week of March 20, 1881, according to a Knoxville newspaper of that date. She was born Jan. 14, 1856 and died Aug. 5, 1897. She was the daughter of Ephraim and Mary Hall Williams of Stock Creek community. She is buried at Wesley Ann Methodist Church near Rockford. The marriage was annulled about 1882 and Alexander Pickens went West. From a letter to his Uncle Samuel Pickens April 22, 1882, he planned to leave Tennessee in a few days and asked his Uncle to look after some personal property as well as his interest in his mother's estate, and gave his Uncle the power of attorney.

1 Etta Belle                      b December                      2, 1882

Soon after their marriage Etta Pickens Haddox and family went to Washington State to live. Thomas Haddox still resides there and sent the record of their family. Etta Pickens Haddox was a pretty, tiny and very attractive and competent person and her relatives were glad of the few opportunities afforded to see her upon return visits to our section. She was bound to be a fine mother for her family of seven boys. The children of Tom and Etta Pickens Haddox live in Washington State and are:

(a) Roy Andrew	b April	16, 1902
(b) John Thomas	b August	15, 1903
(c) Claude Leonard	b April	21, 1905
(d) James Carl	b March	1, 1909
(e) Gerald Clyde	b July	4, 1913
(f) Leo Glen	b July	1, 1917
(g) Thomas Warren	b December	28, 1918
(c) Claude Leonard	d August	1931

(1) Roberta Lee  
(2) Richard Morlan  
(3) Tommie

(1) Charles Lewis  
(2) John Leslie

(1) Marietta  
(2) James

(1) Carol Jean

Nancy Elizabeth Pickens was reared at the home on Roddy's Branch in Blount County, Tennessee. As a young lady she attended Sunday School at Mt. Olive Baptist Church. Her daughter Maude Householder Ellison, recalls from stories of her mother, that she was crowned queen at an exercise at



Mt. Olive Church when she was sixteen years old. The daughter also recalls that her mother had black curly hair and that when she was married at the age of seventeen years her hair was piled up on her head with curls all around and a white rose in her hair.

I have a letter in my possession which George Householder wrote to my father from Dusty, Oregon and dated in March 1901. He speaks of the critical illness of his brother-in-law, James Pickens, who died shortly afterward. The time is about a year after the death of his wife and he says he is living in Dusty, Oregon with his son, Joseph, who is married and has two children. He says Joseph is teaching Band music. Maude Householder Ellison recalls that she played in one of the bands with her brother. Mr. Householder also said that his child Vina was married, lived on a farm in Cook County, Oregon and had one child about six years old. His youngest child Maud was with him, and was about fifteen years old. He said he had been farming most of the time since going to Oregon, but had carried the mail some that winter. George Householder and family lived in Tennessee for some years. Most of their children were born here and two infants are buried in Tennessee. They went to Oregon around the year 1800. George Householder and wife are buried there and all the descendents except one remained in that region.

The children of Nancy and George Householder are:

1 William	b October	13, 1870
2 La Vina Jane	b January	17, 1872
3 Joseph	b June	2, 1876
4 Othe	b July	18, 1879
5 Erma Maud	b November	23, 1885

1 William and 4 Othe died in infancy

2. VINA J. HOUSEHOLDER, second child of George and Nancy Pickens Householder, was born in Tennessee and went to Oregon with her parents when a small child. I have had interesting letters from her with her family record and some snapshots of her family. She recalled childhood memories of Rockford, Tennessee. She married V. R. Buckingham May 24, 1893 at Corvallis, Oregon. He was born Aug. 14, 1866 at Bellfountain, Oregon, and died June 17, 1948 at Roseburg, Oregon.

Vina J. Buckingham and her husband lived on a farm at Bellfountain, Oregon for many years. Later they lived in Roseburg where they had a food market. In 1940, Mr. Buckingham retired from business. Vina J. Buckingham now has an apartment at Salem, Oregon, near her son Ralph, and his wife. Here she is close to church and has a friend with her who works at the State House.

The children of V. R. and Vina J. Householder Buckingham are:

(a) Vera	b March	21, 1894
(b) Victor Ralph	b December	1, 1901
(c) Irma Winnifred	b May	1, 1904
(d) Margaret DeEtte	b July	6, 1908

(a) VERA BUCKINGHAM was born and reared at Bellfountain, Oregon. She married Frank Curtis Calkins March 1, 1917. He was employed in the tax assessors office in Roseburg. He has retired and the home is at Eden-

bower, near Roseburg. Their children are:

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| (1) Frank Lee          | b August   | 22, 1921 |
| (2) Patricia Valentine | b February | 14, 1927 |

(1). FRANK LEE CALKINS was born in Roseburg, Oregon and completed High School there. He attended College at Sacramento, California. He enlisted in World War II and served three years at Porto Rico as an airplane mechanic. He was honorably discharged and returned home. He re-enlisted and was stationed in Panama City for three and one-half years. He returned to the United States and attended a military school at Fort Worth, Texas. He is now at McLaughlin Hts., Vancouver Barracks, Washington. He is a master Sergeant, 1st Class. He married Dorothy Brannon in St. Louis, Mo. Their children are:

- i Skip four and one-half years
- ii Lyn three years
- iii Ralph six months

(2). PATRICIA CALKINS was born in Roseburg, Oregon and finished High School there. She married Robert J. Hallcraft of Roseburg at the end of World War II. In this War he served three and one-half years as a Marine. They live in the community of Edenbower and their child is:

- i Robbie three years old

(b). RALPH BUCKINGHAM was born at Bandon, Oregon. He graduated from High School at Roseburg. He has a responsible position with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co., since the completion of High School. He married (1) Olive Newman in Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 25, 1925. She died in March, 1939. He married (2) Arlene . The home is at Salem, Oregon and there are no descendents.

(c). IRMA WINNIFRED BUCKINGHAM was born in Roseburg, Oregon. She married Amos B. Tucker in Bend, Oregon, Dec. 6, 1921. He lost his life in World War II. Irma married second, Edward Merrette in San Francisco, Cal. The home is in Santa Clara, Cal., and their children are:

- (1) Ralph Curtis
- (2) George Kenneth

(1) RALPH CURTIS MERRETTE lives in Redwood City, Cal. He is married and their children are:

- i Ralph Curtis, Jr.
- ii George Kenneth

(2). GEORGE KENNETH MERRETTE lives in New York City

(d). MARGERET DeETTE BUCKINGHAM was born in Roseburg, Oregon and died Sept. 8, 1911. She is buried in the family lot in the Odd Fellows Cemetery.

3. JOSEPH C. HOUSEHOLDER, third child of George and Nancy Pickens Householder, was born June 2, 1876 in Tennessee. He went to Oregon with his parents when a small child. He married Lillie Elizabeth Loveall Oct. 6, 1897. She was born July 12, 1881. They have made their home in Roseburg and Salem, Oregon for many years. At the latter place Joseph Householder



was a very successful and well-liked manager in a Men's Clothing Store. He is now in ill health and the residence is in the Pythian Home at Vancouver, Washington.

On October 6, 1947, Joseph and Lillie Householder celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in Salem, Oregon. They had a "lovely party and had one hundred guests."

The children of Joseph and Lillie Loveall Householder are:

(a) Mildred Leon	b August	22, 1898
(b) Mable	b December	22, 1899
(c) Murl Edward	b August	4, 1901
(d) Claudia	b December	22, 1904
(e) George Kenneth	b August	8, 1907

(a). MILDRED HOUSEHOLDER married Louis Howe Oct. 13, 1903. He was in the Navy in World War II. The family home is in Portland, Oregon. Their children are:

(1) Vance	b about	1928
(2) Dorma Mae	b	1930

(1). VANCE HOUSEHOLDER is married and has i—a daughter born in 1940 and another daughter born in 1946.

(b). MABLE HOUSEHOLDER died Oct. 8, 1942. She married Rudolph Koller Dec. 24, 1907. They had a child:

(1) Rudolph, Jr.

(1). RUDOLPH KOLLER, JR., was Captain in the Air Corps in World War II. He was in battles in Africa, Italy and other countries. In 1944 he was attending an Instructor's school in Monroe, Louisiana and lived in San Francisco, Cal. Their children are:

i Daughter	b	1942
ii Marilyn	b	1948

(c). MURL EDWARD HOUSEHOLDER died April 6, 1930. He married Frances Kincart, June 24, 1922. There are no children.

(d). CLAUDIA HOUSEHOLDER married Patrick Hickey Oct. 8, 1933. The home is at Portland, Oregon and their children are:

(1) Sharon	b	1934
(2) Larry	b June	2, 1938
(3) Patty	b	1945

(e). GEORGE KENNETH HOUSEHOLDER died Jan. 24, 1933. He was a pilot for United Air Lines and was killed in an airplane wreck at Eugene, Oregon. He married Grace Carroll April 15, 1929. They had one child who lives in Seattle, Washington. He is:

(1) Kenneth	b	1931
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5. ERMA MAUD HOUSEHOLDER, fifth child of George and Nancy Pickens Householder, was born Nov. 23, 1885 in Dusty, Oregon. Her mother died when she was five years of age. She grew up with various relatives and

on October 4, 1905 married Rev. James A. Ellison, in Oregon. He was born October 2, 1876, died at Knoxville, Tennessee, Sept. 8, 1947, and is buried at Woodlawn Cemetery.

The Ellison family lived for some years in Oregon and then came south. An excerpt from his obituary notice in a Knoxville newspaper says. "Rev. Ellison was a member of Holston Conference and had been a minister for forty years when he retired about two years ago. He had served pastorates in Jefferson City, Newport, Clinton, Rockwood and at several places in southwest Virginia. He and his family moved from Exeter, Virginia to Knoxville, eleven years ago. He was born and reared near Greeneville, Tennessee and began preaching after he completed his education."

Mrs. Ellison lives at the home on Moody Avenue in South Knoxville and her daughter, Marie Dunlap and grandson live with her. Mrs. Ellison is a good church worker and enters into various other activities such as the Home Demonstration Club. The children of Rev. James A. and Maude Householder Ellison are:

(a) Marie	b October	23, 1907
(b) Ruth	b December	9, 1911

(a). MARIE ELLISON married G. Frank Dunlap November 14, 1927. Their child is:

(1) Rodgers	b June	24, 1931
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(b). RUTH ELLISON married William Edd Lawrence April 19, 1934. They live in Oak Ridge, Tennessee and their children are:

(1) Jim Edd	b September	23, 1934
(2) Joe Howard	b July	22, 1944
(3) Thomas Ervin	b February	24, 1949

c. JAMES H. PICKENS, fourth child of William and Mary Tipton Pickens was born in Tennessee about 1854. A receipt shows that he paid taxes in Knox County, Tennessee for the year 1876. He died March 19, 1901 and is buried in the Brockway cemetery, eight miles south of Roseburg, Oregon.

He married Hettie Shaver at Rockford, Tennessee, Oct. 14, 1875. She was born Aug. 8, 1860, and was the daughter of Neal and Marjorie Ann Harris Shaver of near Maryville, Tennessee. She died Jan. 15, 1937 and is buried beside her husband. She was a sister of Mrs. Mary Jane Shaver Haynes who lives with her daughter near Rockford and who has been of aid in this history. Mrs. Haynes was 88 years old the first day of February this year. (1951).

James H. and Hettie Shaver Pickens were raised in the same section of Blount County. After their marriage they remained here for some time. Three of their children were born in Tennessee. They located on a farm four miles from Eugene, Oregon and in 1899 moved to Dillard, Oregon, ten miles south of Roseburg. They lived there until the death of James Pickens. After four years Mrs. Pickens moved to Roseburg where she kept boarders for many years. She lived with some one of her children for the last ten years of her life.

Occasional visits by members of this family have been made during the years and were much enjoyed by the kin here. The records of this family have



been sent by the various members involved and Knaffle H. Pickens has answered a lot of questions in regard to the family. He says there are now eighty-four living descendents of the James H. Pickens family. The children of James H. and Hettie Shaver Pickens are:

1 William C.	b October	25, 1876
2 Oliver H.	b August	10, 1878
3 Johnnie A.	b November	9, 1880
4 Lola M.	b May	15, 1883
5 James Earl	b April	15, 1885
6 Knaffle H.	b November	30, 1886
7 Ivan G.	b November	16, 1888
8 Jessie B.	b September	3, 1894
9 Marie A.	b March	5, 1897
3 Johnnie A.	d March	5, 1883

1. WILLIAM C. PICKENS, oldest child of James and Hettie Shaver Pickens was born in Tennessee, going with his parents to Oregon when a small child. He married Mabel Claire Cheshire, Oct. 30, 1901 in Dillard, Oregon. She was born July 21, 1883. William C. was in business at Salem, Oregon until the years when he was unable to keep up his work. I have had letters and history from his wife. She says they now have sixteen grandchildren and two great-grand sons. The children of William C. and Mabel Cheshire Pickens are:

(a) Neva Blanche	b September	7, 1902
(b) Nellie Grace	b July	30, 1904
(c) Chester William	b January	3, 1907
(d) Dorothy Marie	b May	4, 1913
(e) Marjorie Mae	b January	5, 1919

(a ). NEVA BLANCHE PICKENS married Albert L. Matthews Dec. 24, 1921. Their children are:

(1) Mabel Jane	b January	27, 1928
(2) Robert Clay	b September	23, 1933

(1). MABEL JANE MATTHEWS married Webster Briggs. Their child is:

i Gerald

(b). NELLIE GRACE PICKENS married John Edward Hatfield Jan. 21, 1925. Their children are:

(1) Donald William	b October	6, 1925
(2) Chester Dale	b May	15, 1928
(3) John Douglas	b March	2, 1931
(4) David Arthur	b July	30, 1941

(1) DONALD WILLIAM HATFIELD married Theresa Burgett. Their child is:

i John

(c). CHESTER WILLIAM PICKENS married Gladys Marian Roen. Their children are:

(1) Elizabeth Jean	b July	19, 1930
(2) Thomas Roen	b July	17, 1936

(d). DOROTHY MARIE PICKENS married Lewis Clark Jackson June 8, 1932. Their children are:

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| (1) Janice Marie  | b May      | 12, 1933 |
| (2) Judith Ann    | b January  | 7, 1936  |
| (3) Susan Claire  | b February | 12, 1939 |
| (4) Stephen Clark | b May      | 10, 1941 |

(e). MARJORIE MAE PICKENS married John Ritchie May 20, 1938. Their children are:

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| (1) Linda Rae    | b February | 21, 1940 |
| (2) Patricia Sue |            |          |
| (3) John Roger   |            |          |
| (4) Margo Ann    |            |          |

2. OLIVER H. PICKENS, second child of James and Hettie Shaver Pickens, married Maude E. Howard, May 6, 1903 in Dillard, Oregon. He has been in poor health for some time. The home is at Cottage Grove, Oregon. The children of Oliver and Maude Howard Pickens are:

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| (a) James Howard    | b February | 3, 1904  |
| (b) Doris Elizabeth | b June     | 19, 1910 |

(a). JAMES HOWARD PICKENS married Marie Noack Oct., 1933. He is a maintenance man for an oil stove company. The home is in Seattle, Washington and their child is:

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| (1) Joan Marie | b November | 4, 1935 |
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(b). DORIS ELIZABETH PICKENS married Ira C. Byrd April 5, 1931. He was in World War II as an aviator, training flyers in this country. After his return he was in the State Police Department and is now Deputy Sheriff of Douglas County. The home is in Roseburg and their children are:

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| (1) Lola Rae  | b September | 15, 1933 |
| (2) Linda Fay | b December  | 7, 1945  |

4. LOLA M. PICKENS, fourth child of James and Hettie Shaver Pickens, was born in Tennessee and went to Oregon when a baby. She married Edgar Martin Sept. 16, 1903. She died Sept. 3, 1904. There were no descendents.

5. JAMES EARL PICKENS, fifth child of James and Hettie Shaver Pickens was born in Eugene, Oregon and died Dec. 19, 1940 in Roseburg, Oregon. He was in the grocery business for about twenty years and the last twelve years of his life was in county offices, mostly in the tax collection department of Douglas county. He was elected county assessor the year of his death. He died in Dec. before the time to take up his work in January. He married Mary Frances French in Roseburg. She was born Nov. 16, 1886 in Roseburg, where the family lived and where she still resides. The record of her family was sent by her. The children of Earl and Mary Frances French Pickens are:

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| (a) Wayne Hiram   | b January   | 8, 1910  |
| (b) Verneitta May | b September | 11, 1914 |
| (c) Kenneth Earl  | b May       | 24, 1916 |

(a). WAYNE PICKENS married Iris Irene Taylor June 7, 1930, in Roseburg. She was born Dec. 1, 1911. Wayne died about 1942 in Seattle,





William C. Pickens (1863)

(Son of Alexander and Cynthia Cowan Pickens and grandson of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens.)



The family of James Pickens, son of William Pickens above. Seated, left to right: Earl, James Pickens, Lola, Ivan, Mrs. Pickens, Knaffle. Standing: William C. and Oliver H. Pickens. Photo from Oregon.







Washington. There were no descendents.

(b). VERNEITTA MAY PICKENS married Elmo Peter Atterbury Dec. 3, 1932. He was born May 10, 1912 in Jacksonville, Oregon. He is with the Standard Oil Co. at Grants Pass, Oregon. Their two oldest children were born in Roseburg, the third in Ashland and the fourth in Medford, Oregon. They are:

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|---------------------|------------|----------|
| (1) Colleen Francis | b July     | 29, 1933 |
| (2) Richard Elmo    | b December | 31, 1934 |
| (3) Sharon Louise   | b August   | 17, 1935 |
| (4) Mary Ellen      | b November | 8, 1941  |

(c). KENNETH EARL PICKENS is an accountant with a big lumber company at Grants Pass. He was in World War II, in the Quartermaster Dept. He married Janet Ruby Fickenscher Feb. 25, 1940 in Roseburg, Oregon. She was born July 1, 1916 in Great Falls, Montana. The home is at Medford, Oregon and their child is:

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| (1) Dianne Kay | b October | 1947 |
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6. KNAFFLE H. PICKENS, sixth child of James and Hettie Shaver Pickens was born and reared at Eugene, Oregon. He married Hazel M. Coshow June 14, 1911, in Roseburg, Oregon. I have had a lot of interesting information and background history from him. He says: "We lived in Roseburg until Jan. 1, 1911. Worked in retail stores most of that time. We moved to Salem Jan. 1, 1918 and I started to work for the Thomas Kay Woolen Mill Co., and this is my thirty-third year (1950). I have been Sec'y and Treas. of the company for 21 years." He has been quite ill but is improving slowly and with care can work a few hours daily. The home is at Salem, Oregon. The children of Knaffle and Hazel Coshow Pickens were all born in Roseburg, Oregon and are:

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|-------------------|---------|----------|
| (a) Lola Dale     | b June  | 30, 1913 |
| (b) Robert Coshow | b April | 13, 1915 |

(a). LOLA PICKENS married J. Brewer Mills Dec. 27, 1936. They own an undertaking business in Coos Bay, Oregon. Coos Bay is on the coast 200 miles from Salem. He is coroner of Coos Bay. Their children are:

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| (1) Kay Louise   | b March     | 2, 1940  |
| (2) James Brewer | b July      | 15, 1948 |
| (3) Thomas Allen | b September | 22, 1950 |

(b). ROBERT COSHOW PICKENS graduated from the Philadelphia Textile School in 1942. He worked in the mills of Pennsylvania for four years. He is now Supt. of the Portland Woolen Mill Co., in Portland, Oregon. This is the largest woolen mill west of the Mississippi. Robert married (1) Mary Yeager in Sept. 1940, from Salem, Oregon. She died May 24, 1947. Their children are:

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| (1) Robert C. | b October  | 24, 1943 |
| (2) Richard   | b November | 6, 1946  |

Robert Pickens married (2) Marcia Schrimp Aug. 18, 1948, from Oregon City. Their home is at Oswego, Oregon near Portland.

7. IVAN G. PICKENS, seventh child of James and Hettie Shaver Pickens, married Edith Miller April 15, 1928, in Roseburg, Oregon. She is a fine nurse. Ivan has worked in a bank all his business career. He is head cashier of the U. S. National Bank at Roseburg, the family home. Their child is:

(a) Jon Ivan                      b October                      18, 1936

8. JESSIE BLANCHE PICKENS, eighth child of James and Hettie Shaver Pickens, was born and reared near Eugene, Oregon. She attended public school in Roseburg and Linfield College at McMinnville, Oregon, where she majored in music and took a secretarial course. She was a member of the Lambda Lambda Sigma sorority.

She married J. Dale Taylor Aug. 29, 1916 in Roseburg, Oregon. He was born April 1, 1894 in Marionville, Mo. He took up the undertaking business in his college years in McMinnville, Oregon, and has remained in the same business.

At first the family lived in McMinnville, Oregon for a few years, then moved to Salem, Oregon where they lived for twenty-seven years. For the past three or four years they have lived at Coos Bay, Oregon. All are members of the Baptist Church and Jessie and daughter are members of the choir. The children of Dale and Jessie Pickens Taylor are:

(a) William Houston    b June                      25, 1918  
 (b) James Franklin    b July                      30, 1920  
 (c) Barbara Jean        b July                      26, 1931

(a). WILLIAM HOUSTON TAYLOR was born at McMinnville, Oregon. He attended public schools at Salem, Oregon, graduated from High School in June, 1937. He joined U. S. Army in January 1938 and has had continuous service since that time. At present (1950) he is stationed at Yokohama, Japan, as Sgt. 1st Class, in charge of a Far East P. X. He is making the army his career and his family hope to join him. He married Anita Mixon April 11, 1942, in Phoenix, Arizona. Their child was born there and is:

(1) Kay Frances                      b July                      28, 1943

(b). JAMES FRANKLIN TAYLOR was born in Salem, Oregon, where he attended the public schools; he also attended San Mateo Junior College in California. He joined the Army Air Force Sept. 22, 1942, serving as a Bombardier in the 8th Air Force, stationed in England. He flew thirty-five missions over Germany. He was discharged June 20, 1945 as 1st Lieut. He now owns and operates a stork laundry service in Salem, Oregon and is also employed at one of the large laundry companies in Salem. He married Betty Jean Smith May 26, 1946. She was born Jan. 1, 1924 in Salem, Oregon. Their child is:

(1) James Franklin, Jr. b May                      19, 1947

(c). BARBARA JEAN TAYLOR was born in Salem, Oregon and attended Public school there. She graduated from High School at Coos Bay in June, 1949. She entered Linfield College in the Fall of 1949. She was a member of the Lambda Lambda Sigma sorority. She took a special course in secretarial work and at present is employed in the Credit Bureau at Coos Bay.

9. ANNA MARIE PICKENS, ninth child of James and Hettie Shaver



Pickens was born and reared near Eugene, Oregon. She graduated from High School in Roseburg, Oregon in 1916, attended Linfield College for one year and taught in the public schools of Roseburg for three years.

She married Robert Willard Travis of Fresno, Cal., Sept. 8, 1920. He was born in Oakland, Cal., July 15, 1896. He is the son of Rev. Joseph Bingham and Nellie Wallace Travis. His father was a Baptist minister holding pastorates in Rochester, N. Y., Grants Pass, Oregon, San Francisco, Fresno, Stockton and Hanford, California. Both Rev. and Mrs. Travis were graduates of California Baptist College in Oakland, California.

Robert Travis attended schools in Rochester, N. Y., San Francisco, Stockton, Cal., and Linfield College, Oregon where he met his wife. He is a veteran of World War I being a member of the 3rd Engineers serving in the Philippines and Siberia. Following the war he went to work for the Tidewater Associated Oil Co., and is with them at the present time (1950). He is a member of the Masonic and Elks Lodges.

Marie Pickens and husband were married in Roseburg and went first to Fresno, California to make their home. They moved to Eugene, Oregon in March 1925, then to McMinnville, Oregon in Sept. 1928, which place has since been their home. All are members of the Baptist Church and Marie Travis is a member of the Eastern Star. The children of Robert and Marie Pickens Travis are:

(a) Lola Mae	b January	9, 1922
(b) Robert Willard Jr.	b March	12, 1928
(c) Joseph Gordon	b May	14, 1931

(a). LOLA MAE TRAVIS was born in Fresno, California. She graduated from the University of Oregon Medical School in Nursing. She married James Wesley Allison. He graduated from Oregon State College in Engineering. They live in McMinnville, Oregon and their children are:

(1) Thomas	3 years old
(2) William	1 year old

(b). ROBERT WILLARD TRAVIS, Jr., was born in Eugene, Oregon. He attended Linfield College where he met his bride, Ruth Winter, of Pocatello, Idaho. He is employed by the Oregon State Highway Dept. at Albany. He planned to attend Oregon State College in the Fall of 1951 to continue his studies in Engineering. No descendents.

(c). J. GORDON TRAVIS was born in McMinnville, Oregon. He is in his second year at Linfield College.

d. MARGARET PICKENS, fourth child of William and Mary Tipton Pickens, was born in Tennessee about 1856. She died about 1890 in Oregon. She married Isaac Householder who died about 1934 at the home of his son in Los Angeles, California. Margaret Pickens Householder married in Tennessee, going with others of her brothers and sisters and their families to Oregon to make her home. The record of the family was sent to me by her daughter Mrs. Dusenberry who lives at Gold Hill, Oregon. The children of Isaac and Margaret Pickens Householder are:

1 Lily	b about	1874
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2 William	b about	1876
3 Charles	b about	1878
4 Nina	b June	15, 1886

1. LILY HOUSEHOLDER married George Wilcox and she and an infant child died when she was sixteen years old.

2. WILLIAM HOUSEHOLDER died in 1894.

3. CHARLES HOUSEHOLDER married and lived in Los Angeles, Cal. He had no children. He died in August, 1947.

4. NINA HOUSEHOLDER married Calvin Lane Dusenberry May 2, 1904. He was born June 4, 1879. Their children are:

(a) Eva Lou	b November	26, 1905
(b) Mildred May	b December	29, 1907
(c) Nora Bell	b April	19, 1912
(d) Lester Lane	b July	27, 1914
(e) Mabel Ann	b February	22, 1917
(f) Margaret	b January	31, 1919
(f) Margaret	d March	8, 1919

(a). EVA LOU DUSENBERRY married George Lester Smith Nov. 27, 1922, who was born July 30, 1902. Their children are:

(1) Geneva Irene	b December	2, 1929
(2) Marjorie May	b July	1931

(b). MILDRED MAY DUSENBERRY married William Lawrence Wright Jan. 3, 1927, who was born Aug. 21, 1894. Their children are:

(1) Thelma Wayne	b June	13, 1928
(2) Veda Mildred	b August	25, 1929

(c). NORA BELL DUSENBERRY married Wilmer Bailey Feb. 5, 1930, who was born Sept. 13, 1908. Their children are:

(1) Kenneth	b November	2, 1937
(2) Nancy Lee	b January	20, 1936
(2) Nancy Lee	d April	8, 1936

(d). LESTER LANE DUSENBERRY married Margaret Roberta Lewis, Oct. 21, 1936, who was born Sept. 10, 1918.

(e). MABEL ANN DUESNBERRY married Dale Fred Smith April 23, 1935. He was born Dec. 29, 1914. Their children are:

(1) Clifford Dale	b December	18, 1936
(2) Delmer Carlos	b December	5, 1943

e. BENJAMIN J. PICKENS, fifth child of William and Mary Tipton Pickens, was born Dec. 29, 1857, in Tennessee. He died Sept. 23, 1943 at his home in the 13th District of Knox County, Tennessee. He is buried at the Stock Creek Cemetery. He married (1) Hester Badgett Feb. 16, 1887. She was born Aug. 12, 1860, died Aug. 25, 1890, and is buried at the Mt. Olive church yard with other Badgett relatives. She was the daughter of Augustin and Kathryn Sims Badgett and was born at the old Badgett home on Stock



Creek in Blount County, Tennessee. Her father was also born there as it was the home of her grandfather. She was a sister of Newman Badgett of Maryville and Howard Badgett who lived and died near the old home.

Benjamin Pickens was reared mostly in Blount County, Tennessee. He was in the 11th District of this county, according to tax receipts, 1879-1880. Not very long after this he went to Oregon for some years, returning before his marriage and remaining in Tennessee for the rest of his life. For a great many years he had lived at Hall's Station in Knox County, not far from the Stock Creek Community.

He was a farmer, quiet, kindly, honest and devoted to his only daughter and her family. He was of rather slight build, with dark hair and blue eyes. He married (2) Frances Vineyard who was born Aug. 8, 1854 and died Feb. 23, 1932. She is buried beside her husband. The home was a Christian one and the family were members and supporters of the Baptist church. The child of Benjamin and Hester Badgett Pickens is:

1 Geneva Lucretia                      b November      17, 1887

1 GENEVA PICKENS was reared in Knox County. She married Carl Blazier Sept. 8, 1918. He was born May 20, 1893. They live at Hall's Station at the former home of Benjamin Pickens, and their children were all born and reared here. They are members and supporters of the Mt. Olive Baptist church. The children have all finished High school and prepared themselves for a livelihood.

The children of Carl and Geneva Pickens Blazier are:

(a) Frances Juanita	b June	11, 1919
(b) Ruth Issabella	b March	23, 1921
(c) Maude Irene	b June	2, 1922
(d) Glenn C.	b November	5, 1923
(e) Willadene	b October	29, 1925
(f) Dorothy Jean	b February	22, 1927
(g) Delmar Houston	b May	20, 1928
(h) Hester Louise	b April	1, 1930
(b) Ruth Issabella	d May	15, 1923

(a). FRANCES JUANITA BLAZIER married Richard Dennis Murphy Jan. 3, 1946. He was born April 9, 1920. They live at Hall's Station near her parents. Their children are:

(1) Alice Denise	b January	3, 1947
(2) Helen Geneva	b February	9, 1948
(3) Timothy Richard	b August	12, 1951

(c). MAUD IRENE BLAZIER married Leslie Lee Ault Aug. 10, 1947. He was born Nov. 14, 1909. Their home is at Fountain City, Tennessee. Their children are:

(1) Leslie Lee Jr.	b June	25, 1948
(2) Anna Katherine	b December	22, 1950

(d). GLENN C. BLAZIER married Odra Charlene Warwick Feb. 22, 1948. She was born Feb. 22, 1925. The home is at Knoxville and he is a file clerk at the Welfare Department.

(e). WILLADENE BLAZIER is a nurse who a few months ago was in the Navy Corps at San Diego, California. On Jan. 20, 1951 she received her diploma and wings from the School of Aviation Medicine at Gunter Air Base, Montgomery, Alabama. A clipping from a Knoxville paper further states, "Ensign Blazier, a graduate of Young High School and Baptist Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, Memphis, has served two years with the U. S. Naval Nursing Corps. She was one of the top three in her class at Gunter Air Base. She expects to become an air transport nurse in Alaska." Her two sisters, Dorothy and Louise Blazier attended the ceremony at Montgomery. She is now (1951) Lt. j.g., is stationed at Moffet Field, California, and flies to Alaska and the Aleutian Islands to pick up Korean casualties.

(f) DOROTHY JEAN BLAZIER after completing her high school work attended the University of Tennessee for one year and took a secretarial course. She is now employed as a secretary at Thompson's Snap Shop, Knoxville.

(g) DELMAR HOUSTON BLAZIER, in the Signal Radio Relay Company at Camp Gordon, Georgia has been transferred to the Military Police Department.

(h) LOUISE BLAZIER is a secretary for the Home Beneficial Company at Knoxville.

f. SAMUEL PICKENS, sixth child of William and Mary Tipton Pickens, was born in Tennessee, Dec. 1, 1861. He died Aug. 18, 1885 and is buried in the Hunsaker Cemetery, Turner City, Oregon. He married Margaret E. Brown Sept. 1, 1879, from Blount County, Tenn. She was born July 30, 1861 and was the second daughter of George and Mary C. Brown. She died July 31, 1883 and is buried beside her husband. Samuel Pickens and wife left Tennessee soon after their marriage and both died in a short while after locating in Oregon. They were affiliated with the Baptist church. The child of Samuel and Margaret Brown Pickens is:

1 Mary (Molly) Tennesseeb November 4, 1881

1. MOLLY PICKENS was born near Albany, Oregon. She lost her mother when two years old and her father at the age of four. She was reared away from her Pickens kin and has little knowledge of them, even those of the State of Oregon. After a hunt of some ten years I was rewarded by a letter from her, and since that time have had several letters and snapshots. She made a four-hundred-mile trip to get the dates of her parents from the tombstones. Her home is at Prineville, Oregon.

She writes of herself, "After my father passed away I made my home with my grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown. I lived with them until I was about 17 years old. They had a family of ten children, five boys and five girls. I grew up with the Aunts and Uncles who always seemed so very near to me—in fact like brothers and sisters. My youngest Uncle was one year older than I.

"I had wonderful grandparents with beautiful Christian characters and their teachings were a wonderful guidance. I can say they did their best for me. I attended grade school at Salem and attended Mineral Springs College one year, 1897, taking a preparatory course for teaching, but I did not finish.



"I was married at Lebanon City, Oregon. My husband was a farmer. He was born near Lebanon. My husband and son Claud were in partnership on our ranches here, and after his death, my son and I became partners in the business. We have two ranches, forty miles apart. One was our old home. We bought the place where we live now, in 1941. It contains 1090 acres. The home ranch has around 1400 acres. We raise cattle. This eastern Oregon country is mostly a cattle country with grazing land and meadows."

Mollie Pickens married James J. Coffelt Oct. 7, 1902 at Lebanon, Oregon. He was born April 22, 1881 and died Nov. 8, 1944. Their children are:

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| (a) Orville Monroe  | b July     | 29, 1903 |
| (b) Gladys Margaret | b December | 16, 1905 |
| (c) Claud           | b March    | 6, 1910  |
| (d) Hazel Maxine    | b June     | 10, 1912 |
| (e) Alta Marie      | b January  | 31, 1916 |

(a). ORVILLE MONROE COFFELT was born at Lebanon, Oregon. By a first marriage there are these children:

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| (1) Kenneth Rae | b October  | 22, 1917 |
| (2) Norman Lee  | b November | 4, 1929  |

(1). KENNETH RAE COFFELT married Ruby Williams Dec. 5, 1949. Their address is Bend, Oregon.

(2). NORMAN LEE COFFELT has been in the Navy for three years, and was sailing for France in the last news from him at the time of the letter.

Orville Coffelt has a step-daughter who was born July 3, 1928. She graduated from high school in Eugene, Oregon in 1947. She graduated in Nursing in June 1950 from the Good Samaritan Hospital in Portland, Oregon.

Orville Monroe Coffelt married (2) Marie Appling May 7, 1931. The home is at Sutherlin, Oregon. Their children are:

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| (3) Norma Jean  | b August   | 15, 1933 |
| (4) Robert      | b December | 26, 1936 |
| (5) Judy Elaine | b August   | 11, 1941 |

(b). GLADYS MARGARET COFFELT was born at Lebanon, Oregon. She graduated from high school in 1924 and attended Ashland Normal School and taught for some time; she married Abe Hackleman September 1, 1928, and they are members of the Baptist church. Margaret has served as clerk of the church and Pres. of the B.Y.P.U. The children of Abe and Margaret Coffelt Hackleman are:

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| (1) Betty Louise     | b June     | 9, 1930  |
| (2) Lavonne Margaret | b February | 26, 1932 |

(1). Betty Louise Hackleman finished high school in June 1950 at Crook County High School. She was queen of the 1950 Crooked River Roundup. I have a clipping of her wedding on Dec. 27, 1950. She married Thomas Woodson Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson of Post. He graduated from high school at Marsing, Idaho. The ceremony was performed at the First Baptist Church.

(2). LAVONNE MARGARET HACKLEMAN graduated from high school in 1950 and planned to attend college. She married Robert G. Ritches Oct. 7, 1951, in the the First Baptist Church.

(c). CLAUD COFFELT lives at the home place and is engaged in farming and the raising of stock.

(d). HAZEL MAXINE COFFELT graduated from high school in 1931. She attended Northwest Business College in Portland, Oregon. She has been clerk of the First Baptist Church. She married George M. Spence Dec. 15, 1941. He served three years in World War II and was a Master Sergeant. The home is at Prineville, Oregon. There are no descendents.

(e). ALTA MARIE COFFELT graduated from high school in 1934. She has served as a teacher in Sunday School of the First Baptist Church. She married Rollin Gumpert July 7, 1935. The home is at Sheolin, Oregon. Their children are:

(1) Sandra Arlene	b September	20, 1946
(2) Deanna Marie	b October	24, 1938
(3) Rolinda Joe	b February	20, 1942

(1). SANDRA ARLENE GUMPERT is a freshman in school. She is clerk and pianist for their church.

III. JOHN ALEXANDER PICKENS, third child of Alexander and Cynthia Cowan Pickens, was born May 15, 1834 at the home of his parents on Nail's Creek. He died at Varnell Station, Georgia May 15, 1905. My father had stopped off on his way from an encampment, to see his brother and found him near death. He remained until after his death and burial. He married his first cousin Letitia Isabella Minnis Aug. 6, 1857. She was born June 5, 1834 and was the daughter of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis of Blount County, Tennessee. She died Feb. 4, 1901 and she and her husband are buried with others of the Minnis and Pickens relatives at the Harkness cemetery near Calhoun, Georgia.

John Pickens left Tennessee some time in the Civil War period, probably before his marriage, as I have found no record of the marriage license in Blount County. The Minnis family also left for Georgia and they may have gone about the same time. For some years John Pickens and family made their home at the Minnis place but later bought an adjoining farm of eighty acres of land near Dalton, Georgia or Varnell Station. This property is in Whitfield County. Five of their nine children grew to adulthood and were reared on the farm.

John Pickens is said by relatives who knew him to have been a kind, likable man who loved children. He had high ideals of character according to gleanings of his life. He was tall, brown-eyed and had a good-sized frame. From his photo he was very much like his brother Harrison. His wife was of shorter build and said to have been a splendid woman. The family were all Presbyterian and faithful to their church, and good neighbors.

In the days that the Pickens family were in Georgia, that state seemed far away, and visits were scarcely made at all, so that our contact with them was mostly through letters which were altogether too few. The children





Mrs. Alexander Pickens

Cynthia Cowan Pickens, wife of Alexander Pickens, son of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens.



John H. Pickens, son of Alexander and Cynthia Cowan Pickens.



Letitia Pickens (Mrs. Joseph Ford), daughter of Alexander and Cynthia Cowan Pickens.





of John and Letitia Minnis Pickens are:

a Mary Helen	b May	9, 1856
b Alexander C.	b July	16, 1858
c Samuel William	b November	5, 1859
d Cynthia Jane	b January	19, 1861
e John Thomas	b September	23, 1863
f Susan Letitia	b March	9, 1866
g William Harrison	b July	13, 1868
h James	b July	19, 1874
i Eugenia Margaret	b December	27, 1875
a Mary Helen	d May	1, 1867
c Samuel William	d February	9, 1860
h James	d July	22, 1876
i Eugenia Margaret	d July	19, 1876

b. ALEXANDER C. PICKENS, second child of John and Letitia Minnis Pickens, lived all his life as a farmer at the Varnell Station home. He is said to have been especially good to neighbors in sickness. He remained single and died May 19, 1913 and is buried at the Harkness Cemetery.

d. CYNTHIA JANE PICKENS, fourth child of John and Letitia Minnis Pickens, was reared at the home in Georgia. She remained here until after the death of her brother when she went with her sister to Rome, Georgia. She was afflicted with a shortage of hearing and speaking but assisted her sister in household duties and did a lot of beautiful handwork. She remained single and died July 21, 1939 and is buried at Myrtle Hill Cemetery, Rome, Georgia. She was greatly missed by her sister Letitia for they had never been separated.

e. JOHN THOMAS PICKENS, fifth child of John and Letitia Minnis Pickens, was reared at the home at Varnell Station but most of his later life was spent away from that region. As a young man, probably about 1885, he spent a year in Knox County, Tennessee with relatives. Returning to Georgia he went to Mississippi; he was living in Bryceland, La., when his daughter was born in 1910. He died at Pittsburg, Texas, July 21, 1939 and is buried at Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Tom married Kitty Bonds Jan. 29, 1902; she was born March 6, 1878 in Ripley, Tennessee. She died Nov. 25, 1915 in Sulphur Springs, Texas and is buried there. Tom married a second time, Mrs. Elizabeth Jordan Lewis Aug. 22, 1922. She was born in 1870 in DeKalb, Texas. I heard from her at Pittsburg, Texas, after the death of her husband. According to Letitia Pickens, she has died in the last few years. She sent some snapshots of the family and in one of them Tom is sitting on a car and behind him is a sign reading "Pickens Cafe." She also spoke very highly of the type of man her husband was. She and Tom had no children. The children of Tom and Kitty Pickens are:

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| 1. John                              | b November | 13, 1902 |
| 2 A boy who died early               |            |          |
| 3 A girl who died early              |            |          |
| 4 Bessie Joy                         | b April    | 5, 1910  |
| 1 John is dead according to reports. |            |          |

4. BESSIE JOY PICKENS was born in Bryceland, La. and died, as re-

ported by her Aunt Letitia in an automobile accident in 1947. She married John Welsh Feb. 6, 1939 and when I heard from her in 1943 she and her husband were living at Gainesville, Texas. She had no children, but there were two step-sons. She spoke highly of her father and seemed interested in his kin.

f. SUSAN LETITIA PICKENS, sixth child of John and Letitia Minnis Pickens, was born March 9, 1866 at the home of her parents at Varnell Station, Georgia. She grew up here, remaining until after the death of her brother Alexander when she and her sister Cynthia went to live at Rome, Georgia. Here Letitia found employment and became a supervisor of a hosiery mill where she was employed for many years. After the death of her sister Cynthia, whom she sorely missed (for they had never been separated), she lived alone for eleven years. She appeared to be witty and industrious as long as she was able, asking little of life and developing a deep spiritual supply of high courage and great faith. She fell, breaking her hip, three weeks before her death June 19, 1950. She is buried beside her sister in the cemetery at Myrtle Hill. She is the one, who through the years kept the kin here informed about her family and it was from her that I got their family history and also much valuable older Minnis history.

g. WILLIAM HARRISON PICKENS, seventh child of John and Letitia Minnis Pickens was born July 13, 1868 in Georgia. He died Oct. 28, 1931 and is buried at the Harkness cemetery near Cohutta, Georgia. He married Lucy Tatum about 1905. The home was at Rockyface, Ga., where the widow and most of the children still live. An incomplete list of the children is:

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| 1 Vida | 5 Burl Mae |
| 2 John | 6 Jud      |
| 3 Nora | 7 Clint    |
| 4 Jean |            |

IV. SAMUEL PICKENS, fourth child of Alexander and Cynthia Cowan Pickens, was born Dec. 19, 1836 in Knox County, Tennessee, on the farm of his grandfather John Pickens at Nail's Creek. He died Oct. 21, 1913 at his home on the Maryville Pike, Knox County and is buried in the Mount Olive cemetery.

He married Rosalia Caroline Berry May 19, 1881 at the home of the bride in Knox County with Rev J. P. Smith, officiating. Witnesses were Rachel Berry and Julia Franklin. Caroline Berry Pickens was born Jan. 18, 1852, died at Maryville, Tennessee March 12, 1920 and is buried beside her husband.

She was reared in the section of Mt. Olive. As the oldest of six children she was a great help to her mother who became a widow at the close of the Civil War, for Michael D. Berry, a Union soldier of Co. C. 6th Tenn. Infantry who enlisted Nov. 4, 1862, died with a sudden illness after being mustered out in 1865 at Nashville, Tennessee, and never reached home.

Caroline Berry Pickens was of slight stature with blue-grey eyes and pretty gray hair. She applied herself to the work of the home with the unselfish devotion prevalent in mothers of that day. She loved to cook and I often hear something about "Aunt Caroline's cookies" or some other dish of plain cookery that was well-liked. She not only packed an appetizing school



lunch for her daughter but fed also various teachers who found a place to live during school terms at our home.

She was interested in the community, especially in any who needed help. She was a life-long member and attendant of the Mt. Olive Baptist church, teaching a class of small girls for a while. I have on my desk a Testament with this inscription, "Awarded to Caroline Berry as a Prize at Mt. Olive Sunday School May 31, 1868."

Some two years before her death she moved to Maryville, Tennessee. The last twenty months of her life were spent as an invalid and in her suffering she served well, for those who visited her were benefitted by her patience and endurance.

Samuel Pickens with his brother Harrison, mother and sister, came from the Eusebia neighborhood of Blount County to Knox County, Tennessee shortly after the close of the Civil War in 1865. I have a tax receipt to Samuel Pickens of the 13th District of Knox County for the year 1868. At first the brothers lived on rented land but on March 17, 1874 they purchased one hundred and fifty-six and three-fourths acres of land from Richard and Sarah Kirby of Blount County. The price was \$3,000 in cash and the property was located on Stock Creek in Knox County, Tennessee. It was bounded by B. F. Badgett. The record of the deed is at the Court House at Knoxville; also the following transactions.

A warranty deed was given Dec. 9, 1878 by M. L. Tipton and others by which Samuel and A. H. Pickens purchased property of the Tipton heirs. This land joined the forementioned land, contained about 50 acres and cost \$475 cash. Tipton heirs who signed in Knox County were Martha and Reuben Thurman. The other heirs had moved to Texas and there is a record of depositions made by them in that State.

Upon the marriage of Samuel, he and his bride moved farther up Stock Creek to a log house where they lived for about eight years, when a frame house was constructed on rising ground which commanded a good view of the Knoxville and Maryville Highway. Jan. 14, 1887 a division was made of the farm and the brothers, while continuing to do many things together, owned their separate farms.

Here Samuel Pickens lived until his death, enjoying the operation of his farm. He was a lover of good stock and in his more agile years kept spirited horses. He bought some books on the treatment of animal diseases, and stocked with a few simple remedies, treated the minor ailments of his animals. He was much surprised and a little embarrassed when the neighbors began to bring their animals for treatment. He explained that all he knew was from experience and from what he read but they continued to come and he advised as best he could.

He liked to do carpenter work for himself and enjoyed mending and making simple things in his workshop. He was asked to install stock scales on the Anderson farm, according to Jim Anderson who is responsible for the statement. The scales installed at a time beyond the memory of either my husband or myself, are still in use on the Anderson farm which is now ours.

Samuel Pickens enlisted in the Civil War as a Union soldier of Co. A. 3rd Tennessee Cavalry Sept. 10, 1863 and was honorably discharged June 10, 1865. He was offered a commission but remained a private. He was captured Sept. 24, 1864 and was a prisoner at Cahaba prison, Alabama for 6 months, where he cooked the food, mostly mush, for the other prisoners.

From this camp he was sent to board the ill-fated Sultana. Excerpts of a letter which he sent home from Memphis, Tennessee, April 28th, 1865, the day after the disaster, tells of his experience. "It is with regret that I write the following sad news. We were on our way to Camp Chase, got this far on the evening of the 25th and left here on the morning of the 27th, at half past two o'clock. We had proceeded up the river two miles when the boilers exploded, the boat caught fire and burned up.

"There were 1975 soldiers on board of whom about 1200 drowned. I must confess to the best of my knowledge brother William is among the lost. I have not heard from him since the explosion took place and I have no hope of ever hearing of him anymore.

"When the accident took place we were about the middle of the river and at that point it was two and one-half miles wide. I was blown overboard thirty feet into the river and got hold of some pieces of the boat so that I kept from drowning. I floated down the river about ten miles and was in the river about three hours. I was picked up in a boat two miles below Memphis, too near chilled to death to stand alone."

He omitted to tell that before he secured the planks, he got on a live horse but when this animal refused to leave the boat he swapped it for a dead one and said it was the best swap he ever made. Considering how he loved good horses this was considered quite a joke and laughingly retold at the Sultana Reunions.

An interesting permit in his possessions, concerned the privilege of voting immediately after the Civil War Period, and it reads: Thomas Sanoman, Clerk of the County Court of said County (Blount), do hereby Certify that proof has been made before me that Samuel Pickens, Union soldier falls within the provisions of Section I, of an Act entitled "An Act To Limit the Elective Franchise, passed June 5, 1865; and he is therefore a qualified voter of said County. Given under my hand at Office, the 1st day of Aug. A. D. 1865." (Thos. Sanoman, Clerk of County Court.)

Although Samuel Pickens was not a public man in the strictest sense of the word, he did hold offices in the various organizations of men to which he belonged. He was a member and some sort of an officer, most of the time, in the Sultana Survivors Association during the forty or more years of its organization, before his death.

He became a member of the Ed Maynard Post No. 14 of the G.A.R. at Knoxville, Tennessee, March 27, 1888. This information is from a transfer card of permit to join the newly organized James H. Franklin Post No. 50 of the G.A.R. which erected its own building in 1895 at the edge of the Mt. Olive Church property. From the record of a memorial service in his honor Jan. 18, 1914, he was the first Commander of this Franklin Post and held office continuously until his death.



He became a member of the Rockford Lodge of Masons Oct. 22, 1882. A receipt of Dec. 20, 1882 shows that he passed to a fellow craft on that date. According to a list of officers of this lodge he was a Master of the Lodge in 1889, 1899 and 1903.

In personal appearance Samuel Pickens was rather heavy set about five and one-half feet tall, with dark brown eyes and black hair.

He was interested in his neighborhood and in Mt. Olive Baptist Church which he joined in 1893. He was a faithful member and taught a class for a period of time. A gift from a Sunday School class member of a China mustache cup is a treasured memento of this period.

The children of Samuel and Caroline Berry Pickens are:

a Bertha	b May	28, 1882
b Samuel Houston	b September	17, 1887
c Nellie Cowan	b January	14, 1890
a Bertha	d June	18, 1882
b Samuel Houston	d June	22, 1888

c. NELLIE COWAN PICKENS was born and reared at the home of her parents in Knox County, and married Herbert Floyd (Bert) Anderson Oct. 26, 1921 at Maryville, Tenn. He was born Feb. 27, 1887 and is the son of Calvin and Mildred M. McReynolds Anderson. He was born and reared, and still lives in the home of his birth. He has continued to make a success of the acres owned by his father before him and is a farmer and stock raiser and also owns a Filling Station on the property.

And now for a personal note about myself. I need little introduction to you to whom I have been a pest about family history for some years. I finished Prep School at Maryville College and graduated from that Institution in 1913 with a B.A. degree and also a diploma in Expression. I was president of the Y.W.C.A. and of the Y., a branch of the W.C.T.U. and taught grade and high school work for a few years in Blount, Monroe and Knox Counties and one year in Knox County, Illinois.

I have taught and worked in church all my adult life. The most unique service along this line, which I doubt has been duplicated anywhere else, (and perhaps wisely so) is that in the Rockford Presbyterian Church I started a class of beginners about two and one-half years of age and taught them continuously in all the departments of the Sunday School through the Young People's department. We made the various changes together as I was loathe to leave them and they seemed to want me to keep on as their teacher, so that from babyhood to adulthood that group had no other teacher.

I have long had a hankering for feature article writing, and did write a weekly column of sorts, for seven years in the Maryville Times, under the heading of "Fireside Philosophy . . . by Thoughtful Ann." This inherent desire to express myself on paper, together with an intense love of ancestry, probably had much to do with the attempt at writing our Pickens history.

Whether the portion of years spent on this work is justified in my stewardship of life, depends upon the way it is received. It has been very worth-

while to me, but if its value lies mostly in the benefit to myself, it would hardly be called an altruistic effort.

I belong to the Chilhowee Club in Maryville, and since the abandonment of the Rockford Presbyterian church in 1945, our allegiance has been transferred to the New Providence Presbyterian Church in Maryville. Our children are:

1 Helen Louise	b August	8, 1922
2 Mildred Carolyn	b January	16, 1927

1. HELEN ANDERSON was born at Rockford. She graduated from Maryville High School in 1940 and from Maryville College with a B.A. degree in 1944. She majored in English, was a member of Writer's Workshop, Bainonian, the College Band, the Y.W.C.A. of which she served as president, and was elected to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Following graduation she served as assistant director of the Community Center of Ferndale, Michigan.

She married John Allen Kerr on March 17, 1945 at the New Providence Presbyterian Church in Maryville. He was born July 25, 1918 at Greenback, Tennessee and is the son of Mrs. Lou McCollum Kerr and the late John L. Kerr who died March 3, 1949. He is the grandson of the Rev. David M. Kerr who, in his lifetime, was a Presbyterian minister of this section. John graduated from Maryville College with a B.A. degree in 1941. He served four years in World War II, three of which he was assigned to the Medical Division of the Air Corps. He is a Captain in the Reserve, and is employed in the planning department of the Aluminum Company of America at Alcoa.

The home is in Rock Gardens, near Maryville. Both are active in the religious and civic life of the community. John is secretary of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, has been active in the Little Theatre, and is an elder, a member of the choir and a Sunday School teacher in New Providence Presbyterian Church. Helen has been treasurer of the Junior Chilhowee Club, Circle Chairman, and is connected in various ways in the work of the Presbyterian Church. Their children are:

- (a) John Allen, Jr.    b December 23, 1945 Selfridge Field, Mich.
- (b) Linda Jane        b October 27, 1949, Knoxville, Tenn.

2. CAROLYN ANDERSON was born at Rockford, Tennessee. She graduated from Knoxville High School in 1945 and from the University of Tennessee with a B.S. degree in Home Economics in 1949. She was a member of the University Choir; R.O.T.C. Sponsor in Freshman year; a member of Kappa Delta Sorority and active in other campus activities.

She married Arthur Robeson Carter Nov. 23, 1949 at New Providence Presbyterian Church, Maryville. He was born Sept. 4, 1920 and is the son of Mrs. Arthur Ray Carter and the late Mr. Carter of Des Moines, Iowa. He graduated from Iowa State College at Ames, Iowa, with a B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering in 1942. He was in service in World War II for two and one-half years as a line officer in the Navy with the rank of lieutenant junior grade. He is in the Naval Reserve and is employed as Engineer at the Aluminum Company of America at Alcoa. He is now a lieutenant.



Their home is in Lincoln Park, Maryville and they are active in the work of the community and New Providence Presbyterian Church. Art has been active in the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the church choir, secretary of laymen's group and other activities.

Carolyn is president of the Kappa Delta Alumnae group; active in the work of Girl Scouts, Junior Chilhowee Club, choir, circle, Sunday school and other activities of the church. Their child is:

(a) Richard Arthur      b March              29, 1951

V. ALEXANDER HARRISON PICKENS, fifth child of Alexander and Cynthia Cowan Pickens was born May 25, 1840, in a house on the farm of his grandfather John Pickens at Nail's Creek, Knox County, Tennessee. He died April 10, 1900 at his home on Stock Creek, Knox County, Tennessee and is buried at Mt. Olive Cemetery.

He married Oct. 15, 1880, Eliza Ann Hinton, daughter of Francis and Elmira J. Edington Hinton. The ceremony was at the home and performed by Rev. Brown. The family home was at Third Creek, Knox County, Tennessee. She was born Jan. 29, 1851. Record is to be found in the Register's Office at the Knox County Court House of the purchase of land by Francis F. Hinton from Absolum Looney on Jan. 1, 1874. There were 120 acres and the land is situated in the 19th District of Knox County, Tennessee. (The record is found in W.D.-M-3-Page 93 and the date filed is Jan. 1, 1874). In the 1850 Census Record at the library at Knoxville, Tennessee, this record is given of Francis Hinton and family: Francis 25, Elmira J. 20 and William M. two months.

Eliza Hinton Pickens was a good helpmate for her husband and with the several children made a big happy family. But at thirty-nine years of age she was left a widow with seven children, the youngest only 14 months old. She faced a difficult road but possessed the faith, courage and capabilities for the years ahead. She was most industrious and with the help of her children the difficulties were met as they came.

She was a good planner, letting nothing go to waste, utilizing time, effort and the materials at hand with exceptionally good judgment. She was honest, and a son recently remarked, "I remember very well mother looking up from her Bible and over her glasses and saying to her boys that if they would always be honest with their fellowmen they would get along alright."

Eliza Hinton was rather tall, with firm face, blue eyes, dark hair and was very happy and friendly. She was a faithful member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church from early womanhood until her death May 21, 1934. She is buried beside her husband in the Mt. Olive Cemetery.

Alexander Harrison Pickens (Harrison) lived in the Eusebia section until after the Civil War when, with his mother, brother and sister, he came to Knox County, Tennessee. During the Civil War he farmed and took care of his mother and sister. I have in my possession a receipt which is of interest. It is to Harrison Pickens for medical attention on the dates of July 26, 1867, July 28, 1867 and January 18, 1868. The Dr. was Dr. J. L. Russell and it

would seem thatt Harrison Pickens was in Knox County at this time as Dr. Russell was a doctor of this region.

Harrison Pickens lived on rented land for a while after coming to Knox County. He shared in the purchase of farm land in 1874 and 1878. Harrison lived in the big log house on his part of the farm until around 1890 when a frame house was constructed near the old home. He loved his farm and was successful in operating it.

He was tall and slender, six feet or more, and had brown eyes and dark hair, and wore a long beard. He was quiet-natured, friendly, honest and industrious. He was Justice of the Peace for a time. He belonged to the Rockford Presbyterian Church. He was ill for some months before his death which came in the prime of his life.

The children of Alexander and Eliza Hinton Pickens who were all born and reared at the family home in Knox County are:

a Letitia Clementine	b August	28, 1881
b Lulu Stella	b March	27, 1885
c Della Linn	b June	23, 1887
d Frank Cowan	b August	7, 1889
e Florence Grace	b November	5, 1891
f Roy Samuel	b July	4, 1893
g Clyde	b August	28, 1895
h Floyd Harrison	b January	30, 1899
b Lulu Stella	d June	30, 1886

a. LETITIA CLEMENTINE PICKENS, oldest child of Harrison and Eliza Hinton Pickens, was born Aug. 28, 1881. She was educated in the public schools of Knox County and at Maryville.

She married April 30, 1908, Benjamin A. Jeffries who was born March 13, 1876. He is a farmer and they live at Greenback, Tennessee, in Loudon County. The family have long been members and workers in the Baptist Church.

Ben and Letitia Jeffries have one child.

1 Mary Eliza	b June	8, 1914
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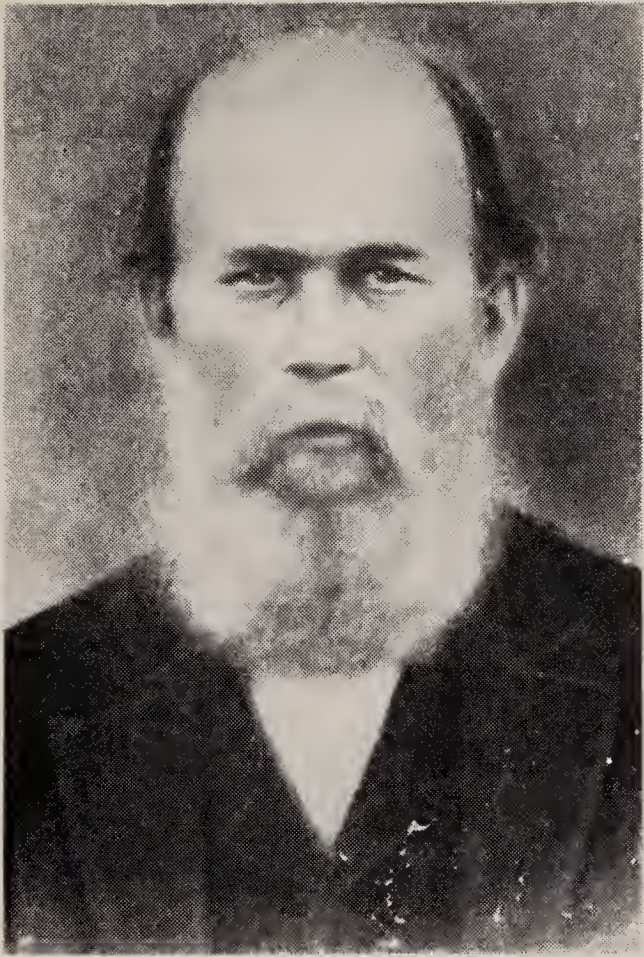
1. MARY ELIZA JEFFRIES was born June 8, 1914 at Townsend, Tennessee in Blount County. She was educated in the public schools of Blount County, and married Cecil Thompson on Sept. 13, 1934. He was born March 20, 1912. They live on a farm near Maryville and Cecil is employed at the Alcoa plant. They have two children:

(a) Joan	b September	19, 1939
(b) Judith	b September	5, 1947

c. DELLA LINN PICKENS, third child of Alexander and Eliza Hinton Pickens, was born June 23, 1887. She married Sept. 19, 1907, Stephen C. Haynes of Knox County, Tennessee. He was born Dec. 8, 1884 and died Sept. 27, 1908 at Third Creek. He was a salesman for a dairy, until illness caused his death at 24 years of age. He is buried at Mt. Olive Cemetery.

Della Linn (Linnie) was educated in the public schools of Knox County.





Harrison Pickens (1894)



Samuel Pickens (1863)

Sons of Alexander Pickens, grandsons of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens.



Mrs. Samuel Pickens, Mrs. Harrison Pickens, Mrs. Joseph Ford (Letitia Pickens) and Samuel Pickens, (same as shown above). (1913)







After the death of her first husband she returned home and for some years taught in the primary grades in Knox County.

On Sept. 30, 1915, she married William J. Cunningham who was born in Blount County, Oct. 8, 1871. They lived in Knoxville for some years where a home was maintained for the two sons, Raymond and Leon Cunningham, children of a former marriage. From his obituary we have this about him, "Before horse-drawn vehicles were forced out of service by the motor age, Mr. Cunningham was associated with John H. Blankenship, a former sheriff of Knox County, in the operation of a livery stable in Knoxville.

"When Mr. Blankenship was elected Sheriff, Mr. Cunningham was appointed a deputy. He also was at one time Sheriff's deputy in Blount County.

"In recent years he operated a dairy and market garden several miles south of the city on the Maryville Highway.

"Mr. Cunningham was interested in church and civic affairs and had been a deacon of Mt. Olive Church for a long time."

After leaving Knoxville the Cunningham couple lived at the old Harrison Pickens home until the death of Mr. Cunningham June 8, 1937. He is buried at Mt. Olive Cemetery.

Linnie makes her home with her sister, Florence. For the past few years she has been engaged in practical nursing, rendering valuable service to many new mothers of this section. She has been a lifetime worker in the Mt. Olive Baptist Church, serving in various activities of the church.

d. FRANK COWAN PICKENS, fourth child of Harrison and Eliza Hinton Pickens, was born Aug. 7, 1889. He married Norah Shields Sept. 30, 1917. She was born April 4, 1894. Her parents were John Jackson and Harriet Trotter Shields. They lived on a farm at Pigeon Forge near Sevierville Tennessee. For several years Norah has been employed in the Knoxville City School System as a Cafeteria Manager.

Frank Pickens attended public schools and worked on the farm until, as a young man, he went to Knoxville to work. He has been employed as salesman and manager of various hardware stores as Beck-Tarver, Lowe-Armstrong and is now at The Knox Supply Co. He is widely known by farmers from the surrounding section. The family live on Sevier Ave., Knoxville and are faithful workers in the South Knoxville Baptist Church. Frank and Norah Shields Pickens have one son:

1 Frank Cowan, Jr. (F. C.) b April 9, 1919

1. F. C. PICKENS married Evelyn (Polly) Wray July 14, 1940 at Dandridge, Tennessee. She was born July 14, 1919 at Day Brook, near Asheville, N. C. and is the daughter of Willard and Julia Mae Byrd Wray. She graduated from high school at Clearmont, N. C., and came to Knoxville shortly thereafter. She has been active as a teacher in Sunday school and a worker in the primary department of the South Knoxville Baptist Church.

F. C. graduated from Knoxville High School and attended Maryville College. He is a watchmaker and was in the Weather Squadron of the 9th

Air Force in World War II. He has been employed in Jewelry stores where he could carry on his trade and now has his own business under the name of Pickens Jewelers at Knoxville. The family live on Sevier Ave., and all attend church at the South Knoxville Baptist Church.

The children of F. C. (Pete) and Polly Pickens are:

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| (a) Judith Ann        | b May      | 20, 1943 |
| (b) Michael Alexander | b November | 26, 1947 |
| (c) Martha Shields    | b July     | 1, 1949  |

e. FLORENCE GRACE PICKENS, fifth child of Harrison and Eliza Hinton Pickens, was born Nov. 5, 1891. She married Carric Thurman June 30, 1914. He was born Dec. 30, 1886 in Knox County and is the son of Richard and Mary Jane Berry Thurman. Richard Thurman was the son of Henry Carric and Lucinda Tipton Thurman and Mary Jane was the daughter of Leonard and Mary Ann Berry Maxey of Knox County.

Carric is a farmer and gardener and they live on the Topside road near the Maryville Highway. They and their families are all members and workers in the Mt. Olive Baptist Church. Carric has been deacon for a number of years and Florence is active in the Sunday school and Missionary Society. The children of Carric and Florence Pickens Thurman were all born and reared at the family home in Knox County and are:

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| 1 Roy   | b May | 14, 1915 |
| 2 James | b May | 11, 1919 |
| 3 Fred  | b May | 16, 1921 |

1. ROY THURMAN married Ruth Ann Flenniken April 8, 1939 who was born Jan. 9, 1921 and is the daughter of James and Hazel Maxey Flenniken. Roy lives on the farm of his father and aside from farming is engaged in the part-time building of houses. Their children are:

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| (a) Wallace Taylor | b January | 5, 1942  |
| (b) Ann Maxey      | b July    | 30, 1944 |

2. JAMES THURMAN married Louise Giffin who was born Dec. 19, 1918. She is the daughter of Andrew and Mae Clayton Giffin who lived near Island Home in Knox County. The family live on the Thurman farm and James works at Sears and Roebuck at Knoxville, Tennessee. He and Louise are graduates of Young High School. James was a combat engineer in the army and was a Corporal. Their children are:

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| (a) Sandra Louise | b July     | 8, 1942  |
| (b) James Houston | b November | 29, 1943 |
| (c) David Leon    | b December | 14, 1944 |

3. FRED THURMAN married (2) Henrietta Hubbard Aug. 25, 1948. They live near others of the family and Fred works for an Insurance Company. He was a mechanic in the Air Force and a Corporal. Their child is:

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| (a) Margo Frances | b July | 26, 1950 |
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f. ROY SAMUEL PICKENS, sixth child of Harrison and Eliza Hinton Pickens, was born July 4, 1893. He married Anna Mae Maxey Aug. 1916. She was born April 6, 1894 on Roddy's Branch, 11th District, Blount County, Tennessee. She was the daughter of William O. and Belle Badgett Maxey. W.



O. Maxey was the son of Jasper and Ann Allie Maxey and Belle Badgett Maxey was a daughter of Samuel and Ellen Goddard Badgett. Samuel Badgett was a son of Augustin and Kathryn Sims Badgett who lived near the junction of Stock Creek and Little River in Blount County, Tennessee. Samuel Badgett, father of Augustin Badgett, also lived here. The Maxey and Badgett families have long been prominent citizens of Blount County.

Anna Maxey Pickens attended Maryville College and the State Teachers College at Johnson City, Tennessee. She taught some years in the grade schools of Blount County. She was an attractive person, a good cook and mother. She died rather early in life, July 3, 1933, and is buried at Mt. Olive Cemetery.

Roy Pickens married (2) Mrs. Minnie Waters, Dec. 18, 1936. Her mother is Mrs. Nan Wolf and she was born near Jefferson City, in Hamblen County, Tennessee. She came to Knoxville when young where she received her high school education. She was Tax Assessor of Knox County from 1932-1940. She is now connected in an official capacity with the Smithwood Baptist Church and various other activities.

Roy Pickens was a deacon of Mt. Olive Baptist Church and is now deacon at the Smithwood church. From 1928 for a period of eight years he was part owner and promoter of the Berry Funeral Home. At one time he was President of the newly organized firm. He still has a State Embalmer's License in good standing. He was chief clerk in the Knox County Tax Assessor's Office for the period of 1932-1940. For the past ten years he has been half owner and operator of Pickens-Thomas, Inc. This business is a service station with auto supplies in Knoxville, Tennessee. He belongs to the Optimist Club and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce at Knoxville. The family home is at Beverly, Knoxville, Tennessee.

The children of Roy and Anna Maxey Pickens are:

1 William	b May	12, 1917
2 Helen Maxey	b October	2, 1918
3 John	b August	16, 1926

1. WILLIAM PICKENS, oldest child of Roy and Anna Maxey Pickens was born in the Harrison Pickens homestead.

He married Jimmie Elizabeth Bowers June 13, 1942, from Canon, Georgia. She graduated from North Georgia College, did some work at the University of Georgia. She taught in the public schools of Georgia for some years.

Bill Pickens attended Maryville College for two years. He was associated with his father in the Berry Funeral home as assistant funeral director for a period of time. He is now connected with the firm of Pickens-Thomas. He was a Corporal in the last war. He belongs to Smithwood Baptist church and he and his family are active in church work. He is a Mason and a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. They live on Seymour Ave., Knoxville, Tennessee. Their child is:

(a) William Harrison Jr. b July 14, 1947

2. HELEN PICKENS, second child of Roy and Anna Maxey Pickens, was born at the former homestead of her great Uncle Samuel Pickens, where

her parents were then living, Oct. 2, 1918. She was of great aid to her family after her mother's death, accepting the added responsibility with courage. She graduated from Central High School. She married James W. Pratt Sept. 5, 1940. This marriage has been dissolved and she is living in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, where she has a position in the Burdine Dept. store.

3. JOHN PICKENS, third child of Roy and Anna Maxey Pickens, was born at the same home as his sister. He graduated from Central High School and had some work at the University of Tennessee. He served in World War II and since Oct., 1950 has been connected with the Medical Attachment of the Army and is at Camp Polk, Louisiana.

g. CLYDE PICKENS, seventh child of Harrison and Eliza Hinton Pickens, was born Aug. 28, 1895. He went to Illinois when a young man where he has since resided, and is a successful farmer at Altona. He married Rose Mae Swanson Oct. 20, 1917 in Illinois, who was born June 3, 1917. The family is connected with church activities and the children are:

1 Marian Elizabeth	b August	19, 1918
2 Robert Harrison	b January	18, 1920
3 Donald Everett	b December	7, 1923

1. MARIAN PICKENS was born in Illinois and married Leland Reinhold Johnson Jan. 10, 1939, who was born June 3, 1917. The home is on a farm near Altona and their children are:

(a) Joyce Ann	b October	21, 1939
(b) Nancy Louise	b April	18, 1943
(c) Linda Kay	b December	20, 1944
(d) Terry Lee	b May	22, 1950

2. ROBERT HARRISON PICKENS was born in Illinois and married Irene Martin Aug. 7, 1946, who was born Dec. 27, 1929. The home is at Cambridge, Ill., and Robert is employed in Iowa. Their children are:

(a) Patricia Ann	b February	5, 1947
(b) Barbara Jean	b September	29, 1948

3. DONALD PICKENS, third child of Clyde and Rose Swanson Pickens was born in Illinois and married Helen Marie Lippens June 3, 1944. She was born Feb. 11, 1922. Donald was inducted into the service but discharged a little later for health reasons. He is a graduate of Galva High School and sells cars. They live at Kewanee, Illinois.

h. FLOYD HARRISON PICKENS, eighth child of Harrison and Eliza Hinton Pickens was born Jan. 30, 1889. He married Ruth Aileen Johnson Sept. 24, 1921. She was born Aug. 23, 1900 at Kimberlin Heights, Knox County, Tennessee. She is the daughter of Rufus and Margaret Nichols Johnson. Her grandparents were Jeremiah and Barbara Johnson. Certain members of the family have long been connected with the Johnson Bible College at Kimberlin Heights as founders and teachers. Tradition has it that the Johnsons are related to President Andrew Johnson.

Floyd and his family are all workers and supporters of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church. He has been employed at the T. L. Lay Packing Co., at Knoxville, for the past 28 years. He is now head of the shipping department



there. The family home is on the original site of the Harrison Pickens home which was destroyed by fire some years ago.

The children of Floyd and Aileen Pickens are:

1 Elizabeth Ann	b August	14, 1922
2 Doris Jean	b March	20, 1928

ELIZABETH ANN PICKENS was born at Knoxville, Tennessee. She married Charles T. Cates Jan. 27, 1943. He was born April 18, 1922 and is the son of Merritt and Grace Johnson Cates. He was a Lt. in the Air Force and was a Bombardier. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and is employed as manager of Tinsley Tire Co. He is now a Lieutenant in the Air Force at Biloxi, Mississippi.

Elizabeth graduated from the University of Tennessee and for some time has been a teacher of Home Economics at Bearden High School. The home is at Knoxville.

2. DORIS JEAN PICKENS was born at Knoxville. She graduated from Young High School and married Harold Davis June 9, 1948. He was in the Navy and is a mechanic. They live near the Pickens home. Their child is:

(a) James Floyd	b January	28, 1950
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VI. LETITIA ISSABELLA PICKENS, sixth child of Alexander and Cynthia Cowan Pickens was born Jan. 15, 1843 at the home of her parents on the old John Pickens farm at Nail's Creek. She died May 10, 1916 at her home on the Chapman Highway near Knoxville, Tenn., and is buried in nearby Woodlawn Cemetery.

She married Joseph Ford Dec. 9, 1870. He was born March 15, 1848. His parents were Boze and Nancy Masterson Ford. They lived on a farm in Knox County near Meridian Baptist Church and were charter members of that church. The 1850 census of Knox County gives the record of the family as, Boze 37, Nancy 35, Joseph 2 and Isaiah 4 months of age.

Joseph Ford lived on farms in Knox and Sevier Counties, and bought land on Chapman Highway near Knoxville about 1900 where he lived until his death. He was a Woodman of the World. He joined Mt. Olive Baptist Church by letter, when his two oldest children united with that church. Later he joined the South Knoxville Baptist Church where he remained a faithful member until his death Dec. 21, 1912. He was a very tall, friendly and kindly man. He had blue eyes and wore long white whiskers. He is buried by the side of his wife in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Letitia Pickens Ford was less than two years old when her father died. She was raised by her mother in the Eusebia Community until she came with the family to Knox County, Tennessee shortly after the Civil War. A receipt in my possession shows that she had a broken arm previous to 1874. The receipt is to Mrs. Cynthia Pickens from Dr. J. M. Kennedy, Knoxville, Tennessee is, "To night visit and Surgical attention for fracture of daughter's arm."

Another receipt dated Jan. 18, 1868 for medical attention to Letitia Pickens shows payment to Dr. J. L. Russell for services rendered. It would seem from this receipt that she was living in Knox County since Dr. Russell

practiced medicine in this region and the date corresponds with other proof of their residence here at this time.

Letitia Pickens Ford was christened when three years old at the Eusebia Presbyterian church. She remained from early girlhood a faithful member of this church until her youngest child joined Mt. Olive Baptist Church. Later she united with South Knoxville Baptist Church where she remained a faithful member and supporter until her death.

She was tall, slender, had black hair and brown eyes. She was a good seamstress and cook, had a pleasing personality, made friends easily, had a good memory for stories and past events and was well liked; a letter of interest, written to her in 1865 by a cousin is reprinted here, in full.

July 16, 1865

To Miss Letitia Pickens:  
Dear Cousin:

Your letter came to hand in due time. It was only five days on the way. It was mailed on the 7th and I received it on the 12th. I began to think that you had forgotten me but I was very agreeably disappointed by receiving your kind letter. I had written to you and Harrison so often and could never hear from you that I began to think that you never got them. I was happy to hear that your brother Sam had returned home to his dear mother one time more but sorry to hear the sad tidings of the death of your brother William. Our friends are passing away every day. I hope when you get this that Harrison will be well again. The friends are all well as far as I know. James S. Evans was here last night. He and the boys are gone to singing this morning. It rained all day yesterday and last night and I could not go.

I am going to weave a piece of dinnin for hand towels; if you will come over I will give you one. That is a great inducement to come, is it not?

You can tell Harrison that George Dunn is married to Miss Cydona Caton; I suppose that he has seen her; she is Mary Dunn's sister. I think she lived with Mary when he was out here.

Uncle Nat says that he is going to start back home the 1st of October. Jack says he is not going with them. You can guess what kind of a game he is going to play.

Tell Sam that I should like very much to get a few lines from him since he has got home as it has been a long time since I had a letter from him.

I was to see I. J. Farmer the other day; he is getting along well.

Mother sends her love to you all. I would be pleased if you would send me word in your next letter that you are coming to see us this Fall. Please send me a lock of your hair and your mother's too, for I am going to make a hair flower and I should like to have some of your hair to put in it.

Please write as soon as you get this and do not forget to tell all the news and tell the rest to do the same. Give my love to all who may inquire after me, if there should be any and receive aportion due yourself.



(There is an added note dated July 19th in which she adds that) Uncle Nat is very sick. Ma went to see him last night but has not gotten home yet. Shall I look for you and your brothers this Fall? Do write and say yes.

She traced the outline of her hand on the paper and in it put these words; "With fond affection through my hand I send to you." The letter is signed,

From your affectionate cousin,  
Elizabeth M. Collins

(The inference to me is that there is a definite connection between the Pickens and Collins people and that Harrison Pickens had been on a visit to the Collins home and that it was probably in Virginia or North Carolina. The fact that it took five days to deliver the letter, even by post, is proof that they did not live immediately in this section.)

The children of Joseph and Letitia Pickens Ford are:

a Margaret Clementine	b July	24, 1872
b Son	b October	25, 1874
c Samuel McClung	b May	1, 1876
d Levator Pickens	b August	6, 1878
e William Harrison	b September	28, 1880
f Nellie Wrenchal	b July	14, 1883
g Oliver Hannah	b November	28, 1885
b Son	d November	2, 1874

a. MARGARET CLEMENTINE FORD, oldest child of Joseph and Letitia Pickens Ford was born July 24, 1872 on the Masterson Farm in Knox County, seven miles south of Knoxville, Tenn.

She married Grant E. Henderson March 3, 1910. He was born July 23, 1867, in Sevier County, died May 10, 1936 at Bearden, Tennessee and was the son of William Y. Henderson. He carried the mail on Rural Route No. 10 from Knoxville for many years. Their home was at Bearden, Tennessee where Mr. Henderson died and his widow still lives. He is buried at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Clemmie Ford Henderson attended the public schools of Sevier and Knox Counties, Chilhowee Institute, Maryville College and had two years at the University of Tennessee. She was a Student Volunteer and in 1904-1905 attended the Training School at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., where she was one of the three first boarding school students to enroll in classes, which up to this time had not been open to female students in regular classroom studies. They ate, slept and studied in one room.

She taught school in Knox County for some years. One of the first was a subscription school where in return for board in my home, I was permitted to attend as a five year-old. Judging from stories of my childhood activities, board was probably high at that.

She lead in various activities of the missionary society and taught classes in Sunday-school in the various churches of the neighborhood in which she

lived, and continues an active interest in Central Baptist Church at Bearden.

Grant E. and Clemmie Ford Henderson had a child 1, a girl, born May 19, 1911, who died May 20, 1911.

c. SAMUEL McCLUNG FORD, third child of Joseph and Letitia Pickens Ford was born May 1, 1876 on the Masterson farm in Knox County. He died Dec. 16, 1938 at Detroit, Michigan and is buried in the plot for Spanish American War Veterans in Roseland Cemetery, Detroit, Michigan.

He married Maud Augusta Rawlings Aug. 22, 1899, of South Knoxville. She died June 16, 1939 at Detroit, Michigan. She is buried in Roseland Cemetery near the grave of her husband. She was a pleasant, happy person, interested in her home and children. The family were members and workers in the South Knoxville Baptist Church during their residence in Tennessee.

Samuel Ford attended the public schools and Chilhowee Institute. He was employed as a rural mail carrier of Route No. 3 from Knoxville for many years. He was in the Spanish-American War and belonged to the 3rd Rg. Co. I U. S. Vol. Eng's.

He and his family left Tennessee when the children were rather small, first going to Akron, Ohio and then for a number of years living at Detroit, Michigan.

Children of Samuel and Maud Ford are:

1 Murrell Allison	b October	14, 1900
2 Joseph Allen	b January	28, 1904
3 Albert Martin	b August	29, 1907
4 Thelma Lois	b July	18, 1910
5 Katharine Isabella	b June	18, 1913
1 Murrell Allison	d February	14, 1902
3 Albert Martin	d September	22, 1908

2. JOSEPH ALLEN FORD was born in Knox County Jan. 28, 1904. He married Bernice E. Delong July 14, 1926. She was born June 5, 1904. They lived in Ohio. The union was recently dissolved and Allen remarried about 1949. He had a trucking business. He died suddenly Aug. 9, 1950 and is buried at Toledo Memorial Park, Toledo, Ohio.

4. THELMA LOIS FORD was born in Knox County, Tennessee, July 18, 1910. She married Walter A. McGaw Jan. 9, 1929 in Detroit. He was born Feb. 12, 1908. The family live at Dearborn, Michigan and Walter is employed at a gas company in Detroit.

The children of Walter and Thelma McGaw are:

(a) Ronald George	b December	5, 1933
(b) Patsy June	b June	24, 1936

5. KATHARINE ISABELLA FORD was born in Knox County, Tennessee June 18, 1913. She married Manly F. Woodbeck who was born March 3, 1911. The family lives in Detroit and Manly is assistant manager of a Sears and Roebuck store there. Their children are:



(a) Richard Allen	b January	31, 1933
(b) Barbara Ann	b July	24, 1934

d. LEVATOR PICKENS FORD, fourth child of Joseph and Letitia Ford, was born Aug. 6, 1878 on the Masterson farm in Knox County. He died Aug. 17, 1939 at Albuquerque, N. M.

He married Rutelia Pearl Berry in Knox County, Tennessee July 12, 1906. She was born near Mt. Olive, Knox County, Nov. 9, 1881, the daughter of the late W. L. Berry and his wife Jane McMillan Berry who still resides at Mt. Olive though eighty-seven years old (1950).

Pearl was educated in the schools of Knox County and taught in the schools of the county. She and her family were consistent members and workers of Baptist Churches wherever they lived. Pearl Berry Ford died April 22, 1940 at Albuquerque, New Mexico and is buried in that city by the side of her husband in Sunset Memorial Park.

Levator Ford attended the public schools and Chilhowee Institute. He volunteered for service in the Spanish-American war and was in the 3rd Reg. CO. I, U. S. Volunteer Engineers.

A letter sent from him to his family while he was stationed at Camp Matan-Zas, Cuba was published in a Knoxville newspaper and contains some interesting material. He said in part. "We had a warm time today raising 'Old Glory' in the Spanish Fort and seeing the Spaniards march out and give their guns to us . . . Some of the Spaniards stood and looked at our flag crawl the pole until it reached the top, then burst into tears and came around and shook hands with some of our boys. They said we were the bravest men ever born, for 350 men marched in front of 21,000 enemies and raised our flag. They could have swept us off the face of the globe."

After Levator's marriage the family lived in Knoxville, Tennessee where he was a policeman. At the time of his death an article appeared in a Knoxville newspaper from which I give excerpts. "Ford became a member of the police department under the administration of former Chief John Nichols. There were few automobiles here at that time. The first motorcycle ordered by the city was used on emergency calls. Ford was assigned to ride it because he was the youngest officer of the department and an expert motorcycle rider."

Later Levator was associated with former chief Nichols in the operation of a livery stable on State Street in Knoxville.

He left Tennessee about 1915 on account of his wife's health. He was employed by the railroad in Albuquerque for some years and later purchased a farm in that region.

He was injured some years before his death in an accident suffered when helping a motorist in trouble. He died from an injury suffered when he fell from a load of hay on his farm.

Children of Levator and Pearl Berry Ford are:

1 Ada Mildred	b October	25, 1908
2 L. P. Jr.	b August	19, 1921

1. MILDRED FORD was born in Knox County, Tennessee, going to Albuquerque when small. She married Byron E. Morgan of that city, May 17, 1929. Their children are:

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|--------------------|-------------|----------|
| (a) Mildred Louise | b August    | 8, 1930  |
| (b) Edith Gail     | b September | 16, 1934 |

2. L. P. FORD, Jr., was born and reared in Albuquerque. He came to Knoxville after the death of his mother and has since resided here. He married Betty Ruth Levy of Knoxville, Feb. 7, 1942. They live in South Knoxville and he is employed as a diesel mechanic for the Power Equipment Co. He was in the Navy in World War II from Nov. 1942 to Nov. 1945. He served in the Pacific around the Solomon Islands about two years and was at Guam and Saipan. The family are members of the South Knoxville Baptist Church.

Children of L. P. and Betty Ruth Levy Ford are:

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|--------------------|-----------|----------|
| (a) Levator P. Jr. | b October | 24, 1943 |
| (b) Byron E.       | b May     | 8, 1947  |
| (c) Deanna Sue     | b July    | 10, 1948 |

e. WILLIAM HARRISON FORD, fifth child of Joseph and Letitia Pickens Ford was born Sept. 28, 1880 on the Badgett farm in Knox County.

He married Bertie Mae Shields July 16, 1906 who was born Oct. 2, 1882 and was the daughter of John Jackson and Dicia Harriet Trotter Shields who lived on a farm near Sevierville. The family home is on Sevier Ave., Knoxville, where the couple celebrated their 40th wedding Anniversary on July 16, 1946. Bertie as a dressmaker for many years has helped to keep a goodly portion of South Knoxville and the surrounding section well dressed.

William (Bill) is employed as a guard at the East Tennessee Packing Co., at Knoxville. All of the family are members and workers in the South Knoxville Baptist Church. Their children were all born on the Ford farm on Chapman Highway and are as follows:

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|-------------------|-----------|----------|
| 1 Margaret Louise | b June    | 26, 1907 |
| 2 Alma Rose       | b August  | 19, 1909 |
| 3 Edna Irene      | b July    | 18, 1911 |
| 2 Alma Rose       | d October | 19, 1913 |

1. MARGARET LOUISE FORD married Perry Copeland June 20, 1924. The marriage was dissolved and she lives with her parents on Sevier Ave. She manages a comptometer at the East Tennessee Packing Co.

The children of Perry and Margaret Copeland are:

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|------------------------------|------------|----------|
| (a) A baby who died at birth |            |          |
| (b) Rex Turner               | b May      | 14, 1927 |
| (c) Sara Mae                 | b February | 17, 1929 |

(b) REX TURNER COPELAND married Johnnie Margaret Houk Sept. 2, 1948. She was born March 26, 1929, and is the daughter of John M.



and Ada Stewart Houk of Knoxville. Rex finished High School and works at the Capper Engraving Co. He served in the Navy in World War II. The home is at Bearden, Tennessee. Their child is:

(1) Sandra Gail                      b December      24, 1949

(c) SARA MAE COPELAND lives at the family home. She graduated from high school and is employed as bookkeeper at the Tennessee Coach Co.

3. EDNA IRENE FORD married William L. Reynolds Aug. 9, 1934. He is the son of Orville and Alice Cox Reynolds of Andersonville, Tennessee. He is a lawyer and is Deputy Collector of U. S. Customs.

Soon after her marriage Edna went to Lawrenceburg, Indiana to live. There she entered into the activities of church and school, as organist and in work with children of the Sunday School. She was Production chairman of the Red Cross, on the Executive Committee of T. B. Association, and active in P.T.A. She was President of the local P.T.A., on the State Board of the Indiana Congress of P.T.A. and was sent as a delegate to the National P.T.A. convention in St. Louis in 1949. At the meeting of the Indiana Congress of P.T.A. at French Lick in April, 1950, she was given a life membership in the organization and the presentation included a life membership pin. At that time she was director of a district comprising the four counties of Dearborn, Ohio, Switzerland and Franklin counties of Indiana.

In the midst of these activities her life ended and on July 15, 1950 she died in a Cincinnati hospital. The body was returned to Knoxville and laid to rest in Woodlawn Cemetery.

William and Edna Reynolds had one son:

(a) William L. Jr.                      b October      30, 1935

(a). WILLIAM REYNOLDS is a Sophomore (1950), in high school at Lawrenceburg, plays the piano well and as a hobby collects stamps.

f. NELLIE WRENCHAL FORD, sixth child of Joseph and Letitia Pickens Ford was born July 14, 1883 at the Badgett Place in the southern part of Knox County.

She married Leonard Cupp June 20, 1907. He was the son of Riley Cupp of Blount County. He died Oct. 26, 1907 and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Nellie Ford Cupp married Philip A. Anderson Nov. 4, 1930, who died March 1, 1940 and is buried at Highland Memorial Cemetery near Bearden. He was from Hawkins County and lived near Morristown, Tennessee. He was a member of the Knox County road commission and at his death was a retired merchant. He was a successful business man, kindly, affable and friendly. He was a deacon and supporter of the Central Baptist Church and a well known citizen of Bearden where he had made his home for many years.

Nellie Anderson attended the public schools of Knox County and had a year at Virginia-Intermont. She supported her daughter and made a home for

some years for her brother and his motherless girls. After the death of Mr. Anderson she continued to live at Bearden where she is actively engaged in the work of the church. As head of Sunday School groups, president of the Missionary Society, church Secretary of Finance, etc., she contributes much to the Central Baptist Church.

Leonard and Nellie Ford Cupp had one child:

1 Ruby Cates                      b March                      20, 1908

1. RUBY CUPP married Gredig M. McMillan of Bearden, Aug. 3, 1928, the son of M. K. and Anna Gredig McMillan of Bearden, Tennessee. He is employed as Engineer for the City Water Department of Knoxville.

Ruby is a graduate of Central High School, Fountain City. She sang on the local radio for some time and is a worker in the Baptist church at Bearden, as a leader with young people and a choir singer. The family live at Bearden. They have one son:

(a) Richard Cupp                      b June                      26, 1904

g. OLIVER HANNAH FORD, seventh child of Joseph and Letitia Pickens Ford was born Nov. 28, 1885 in Sevier County, near Seven Islands.

He married (1) Lida Velma Keener Oct. 3, 1912. She was the daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Burns Keener and lived in South Knoxville. She died in Akron, Ohio, April 11, 1918, and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery at Knoxville.

Oliver or Ollie, lived on the Ford farm and after his marriage worked in Knoxville. He had just moved to Akron to work when his wife died. The children of Ollie and Lida Keener Ford are:

1 Ruth Josephine                      b August                      1913  
2 Ina Roberta                      b November                      11, 1915

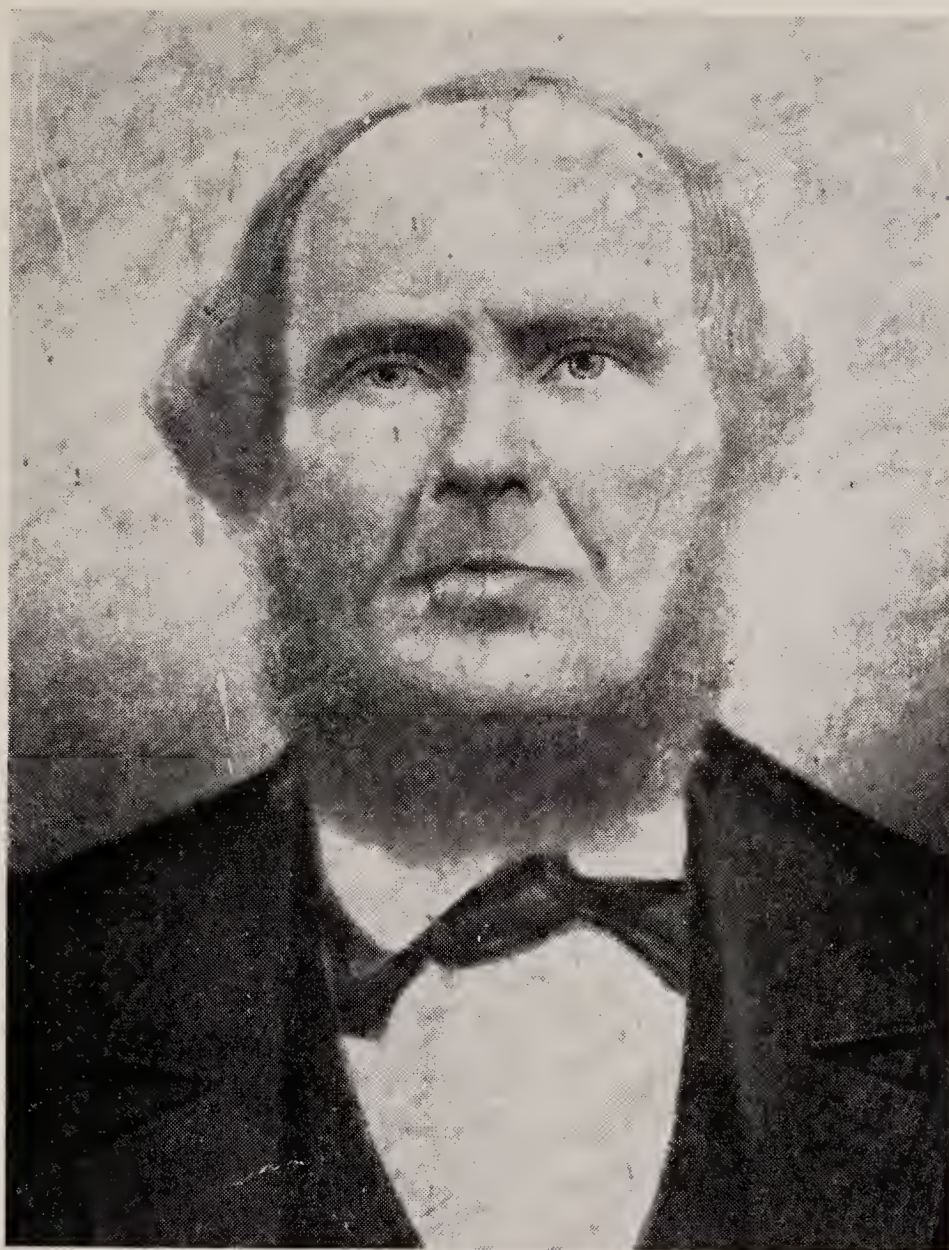
1. RUTH JOSEPHINE FORD graduated from Central High School and after a secretarial course has had responsible positions. She is now private secretary to the president of the Bank of Knoxville.

2. INA ROBERTA FORD graduated from Central High School and was a secretary previous to her marriage to Robert McGimpsey Nov. 28, 1937. They live in the region of Concord, near Knoxville and their children are:

(a) Barbara Jean                      b October                      12, 1938  
(b) Jo Nell                      b March                      21, 1940  
(c) Robert Avery                      b October                      29, 1941  
(d) Oliver Michael                      b June                      24, 1946  
(e) Velma Virginia                      b May                      23, 1950

Ollie Ford married (2) Maggie Householder May 20, 1920 who died Feb. 12, 1923 and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery. He married (3) Mrs. Dorothy Massingill July 15, 1939 who is a graduate nurse. They live at Nashville where they are engaged in the grocery business. He and his family are members and workers of the Baptist church.





Robert Pickens



Mrs. Robert  
Pickens (Elizabeth  
Houston)

Robert Pickens  
son of John and  
Letitia Hannah  
Pickens

Mrs. Robert Pickens





## ROBERT PICKENS

K. ROBERT PICKENS, eleventh child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, was born at the home of his parents at Nail's Creek, Blount County, Tennessee, Feb. 1, 1810. He died Nov. 19, 1896 and is buried at Eusebia Cemetery.

He married Elizabeth Rowe Houston Dec. 27, 1846. She was born Nov. 2, 1827 and died Sept. 22, 1906 and is buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of Robert and Dorothy Creswell Houston and was probably born while the family lived on Nail's Creek, near the later home of her son, John Pickens.

Elizabeth Houston Pickens was a pleasant, capable and well-liked person. She was justly proud and had a ready smile and pleasant voice. I am greatly indebted to Judge Houston, her nephew, for character sketches of this family and where there are quotations, they will be from his record. He says of her, "Elizabeth, like her mother, Dorothy Houston, was a most excellent house-keeper; a noted cook and her greatest pleasure was to have guests in her home and provide them and her family with a sumptuous meal. She took a motherly interest in her neighbors, especially in case of sickness."

Robert Pickens lived on at the old Pickens homestead of his birth for eleven years after the death of his father and for four years after his marriage. The 1850 census in Microfilm at the Lawson McGhee Library at Knoxville, gives this of the family: Robert Pickens 40, Elizabeth 25, Isabella 3, and Robert Houston one-half year. Thomas Pickens and his five year old daughter, Harriet, were also members of the household.

Robert Pickens succeeded his father as guardian of his nephew, John Pickens Henderson. He is mentioned as such on March 24, 1834 and on Aug. 25, 1842 received \$358 from the former guardian John Pickens, "that belongs to John P. Henderson." On March 24, 1843 he made bond in regard to the same guardianship and his securities were Samuel Minnis and Andrew Kirkpatrick. In this year he was receipted by his nephew and the guardianship ended as the nephew had become of age.

Robert Pickens sold property to his brother Thomas Pickens, Oct. 17, 1850. This property was in three tracts in District 13 Blount County and sold for \$750. A partial description follows: The first tract "being the tract conveyed by the State to John Pickens Sr. and containing by estimation 287 acres and bounded as follows: From a stake on south side of creek by William McClurg's line — to a Post oak at the foot of Bay's Mountain, at the head of a small spring, by Lusy Davice corner — to Nail's Creek — to a stake at Samuel McMurry's."

The second tract, that "granted by the State to me Feb. 4, 1836" consisting of 150 acres.

The third tract was the one "conveyed by Peter Cline to me", consisting of 53 acres and partly bounded as: On top of Bay's Mountain to Susan Houser, to a line of John Pickens, to the foot of Bay's Mountain. (This land had been purchased from Peter Cline by Robert Pickens, Sept. 21, 1830 and was signed

by Alexander Pickens and Benjamin Blackburn.) In the sale of the three tracts Wm. Bicknell signed and it was registered Dec. 30, 1854. (P. 106 Book Y Blount County records.)

An interesting transaction concerning Robert Pickens took place Sept. 18, 1847 and is as follows: "Know all men by these presents that I, Robert Pickens bind myself and my heirs or assigns in the penal sum of two thousand dollars. The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas I, said Robert Pickens, did on the 4th day of January, 1847, purchase of the said Andrew Kirkpatrick three negro slaves of the following description, one black man named William, aged 50 years, one mulatto boy named Rufus, aged about 18 years and one mulatto girl, Louisa, 14 years for which the said Robert Pickens paid unto said Kirkpatrick \$1240; now if the said Andrew Kirkpatrick pays or causes to be paid unto the said Robert Pickens, his heirs and assigns, \$1240 with legal interest from the date of purchase, I, said Robert Pickens bind myself, heirs and representatives to convey all right in me vested by said purchase unto the said Andrew Kirkpatrick, his heirs or representatives. Given under my hand and seal". Signed Robert Pickens and John Hafley. This appeared to be a sort of bond and was recorded Dec. 6, 1847. (Book V P 39 Blount County records).

About this time he purchased the farm and homestead of William Evins Creswell, grandfather of his wife, Elizabeth. The farm is situated on Nail's Creek, Blount County, some two miles farther north from the old Pickens homestead. It is on the cross-road from Eusebia on the Maryville-Sevierville Highway to the Chapman Highway where it joins at Burnetts Station. Here Robert and his wife reared their children. It is said that the present house though changed a little contains within its walls the original structure of hand-made brick that had been the home of the Creswells before them, and that the weather-boarding was placed over these walls, which through the years have been strong and sturdy.

Robert Pickens was a good farmer. It was said of him "that he was a man of more than average intelligence. He was a successful farmer and stock trader. He raised abundant crops and always had a large number of horses, mules, cattle, hogs and sheep. By reason of his stock trading and his pleasing personality he became widely and favorably known in Sevier, Knox and Blount Counties and had many friends. He was energetic and thrifty and a good provider."

The family meant much to the neighborhood and have always been staunch supporters of the Eusebia Church. Robert Pickens, according to an old record of the church, joined Eusebia Church Aug. 29, 1854, by examination.

Children of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens are:

I Isabella L.	b June	8, 1848
II Robert Houston	b February	12, 1850
III John H.	b April	7, 1852
IV Samuel L.	b May	26, 1854
V Harriet E.	b October	9, 1857
VI Thomas H. Dr.	b April	17, 1864
VII Mary Alice	b April	8, 1866
VIII Oliver C.	b May	5, 1870
V Harriet E.	d March	3, 1858



VI Thomas H. Dr. d October 26, 1897

I. ISABELLA L. PICKENS, oldest child of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens, was born at the old John Pickens homestead of her grandfather, according to the 1850 census which gives her age as three years, which should have been two years, it seems. She was born June 8, 1848 and died at the home of her daughter, Beulah Hines Beeler, near Knoxville, Dec. 21, 1926. She is buried in the Eusebia Cemetery.

She married Joshua Hines Sept., 13, 1866. He was born Jan. 25, 1841, and died Aug. 12, 1929 and is buried at Eusebia Cemetery. The family lived on the Nail's Creek road adjoining the farm of John Pickens, brother to Elizabeth Hines. He was a farmer and also had a large flour mill and saw mill located near the farm. Here he served a considerable section of the eastern end of Blount County, Tenn.

He was a Union soldier and was taken prisoner of war.

About 1850 Elizabeth Hines moved with her parents to their new farm home. She had pride, the kind that ennobles. She was pleasant, hospitable and industrious. She was presented for christening, by her mother, at Eusebia Church Aug. 29, 1854. She was a faithful member of that church until her marriage when she went with her husband to the Baptist Church at Cedar Grove near their home, where she continued to exert a good influence and gave ready support to the work of that church.

The children of Joshua and Isabella Pickens Hines are:

a Elizabeth Ann	b March	28, 1869
b Emma Cordelia	b April	3, 1871
c Robert Houston	b September	22, 1873
d Nora May	b April	5, 1881
e Effie Beulah	b April	6, 1884
c Robert Houston	d January	21, 1901
d Nora May	d September	28, 1884

a. ELIZABETH ANN HINES, oldest child of Joshua and Isabella Pickens Hines, was born at Nail's Creek March 28, 1869. She died March 28, 1941 and is buried at Eusebia.

She married Samuel Hamilton Cunningham Oct. 13, 1897 who was born Feb. 7, 1871. He lived on a farm in Sevier County about one mile east of Shooks Gap on the old Sevierville Highway. He operated a dairy. He was a respected citizen and he and his family were helpful members of the community and faithful members of the Valley Grove Baptist Church. Samuel (Ham) Cunningham died Dec. 20, 1947 and is buried at the Eusebia Cemetery.

The children of Ham and Elizabeth Hines Cunningham are:

1 Earl Hamilton	b August	10, 1898
2 Edith	b September	22, 1899
3 Joshua Hamilton	b September	25, 1901
4 Nola Bell	b May	7, 1903
5 Cora Lena	b May	1, 1909

1. EARL H. CUNNINGHAM, oldest child of Ham and Elizabeth Cunningham was born Aug. 10, 1898. He died Oct. 3, 1924. He married Edyth Lucretia Tillet Aug. 9, 1919. She was born Dec. 19, 1897. Their children are:

(a) Gladys Elizabeth	b September	28, 1920
(b) Robert Earl	b September	10, 1921
(c) Delta Mae	b August	15, 1922
(d) Samuel Hamilton	b August	13, 1924
(e) Roy Tillet	b February	19, 1932
(f) Jewel Sexton	b December	29, 1939

(a) GLADYS ELIZABETH CUNNINGHAM married Jesse Thomas Cates Aug. 27, 1939. Their children are:

(1) Joyce Irene	b January	12, 1940
(2) Thelma Minerva	b February	10, 1941
(3) Novella Marie	b April	12, 1943

(c). DELTA MAE CUNNINGHAM married Walter Clarence Cates Jan. 16, 1940. Their child is:

(1) Mildred Marie	b July	17, 1941
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2. EDITH CUNNINGHAM, second child of Ham and Elizabeth Cunningham, married Edman Ellis Hodges Dec. 19, 1917. He was born Dec. 4, 1895. Their child is:

(a) David Elmer	b July	8, 1919
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3. JOSHUA HAMILTON CUNNINGHAM, third child of Ham and Elizabeth Cunningham, was born Sept. 25, 1901. He married Nola Knight Oct. 3, 1936. She was born Sept 13, 1913. Their child is:

(a) Richard Leon	b August	1, 1938
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4. NOLA BELL CUNNINGHAM, fourth child of Ham and Elizabeth Cunningham, was born May 7, 1903. She married Rev. Robert W. King, May 23, 1948. He is a Baptist minister, preaching to churches of the region. They live at the old Cunningham home at Seymour.

5. CORA LENA CUNNINGHAM, fifth child of Ham and Elizabeth Cunningham, was born May 1, 1909. She married Elmer Reagan Oct. 5, 1924. He was born May 8, 1905. Their children are:

(a) Lelia Elizabeth	b July	11, 1925
(b) Dorothy Mac	b February	1, 1928

b. EMMA CORDELIA HINES, second child of Joshua and Isabella Pickens Hines was born April 3, 1871. She died Jan. 3, 1942 and is buried at Pleasant Grove Cemetery.

She married Charles M. Kennedy Dec. 25, 1890. He was born June 17, 1868. His home was a part of the Alexander Kennedy place. It is five miles east of Maryville on the Wildwood road. The old Kennedy mill on Little River was operated by Alexander Kennedy. The schoolhouse in which Gen. Sam Houston once taught is located on the Kennedy farm and was owned by Charles Kennedy until recently taken over by the State of Tennessee. Charles Kennedy was elected Commissioner for Blount County for several years. He is a Mason of long standing, belonging to the Rockford Lodge. In feeble health for some years he lives in Knoxville, Tennessee. Emma Hines Kennedy put to good use the lessons of industry learned in the Hines home and served well through her years in the Kennedy household.





Oliver C. Pickens, son of Robert Pickens and grandson of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens. Mrs. Oliver Pickens: Photo on the occasion of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Pickens, September 28, 1943.



Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Hines (Belle Pickens), daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens, granddaughter of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens.





Children of Charles M. and Emma Kennedy are:

1 Nellie C.	b October	23, 1892
2 Rena	b May	21, 1895
3 Fannie	b October	19, 1898
4 Robert H.	b June	20, 1901
5 Winnie M.	b August	20, 1906
6 Juanita	b October	15, 1916
3 Fannie	d November	9, 1898

1. NELLIE KENNEDY, oldest child of Charles and Emma Kennedy, was born at the family home Oct. 23, 1892, She died Jan. 3, 1928 and is buried in Grand View Cemetery, Maryville, Tennessee.

She married W. Floyd Russell Oct. 23, 1915, the son of the late W. L. and Nell Wright Russell of Rockford.

Nellie Kennedy Russell attended Maryville College and taught in the public schools of Blount County. After her marriage she lived on the Russell farm at Rockford where she entered into the life of the community. She was a Sunday School teacher and worker in the Rockford Presbyterian Church. She had a pleasing personality and was an attractive brunette.

The children of Floyd and Nellie Russell are:

(a) Charles W.	b November	25, 1916
(b) Dale K.	b June	19, 1918
(c) Irma I.	b July	28, 1921
(a) Charles W.	d November	25, 1916

(b). DALE RUSSELL, second child of Floyd and Nellie Russell was born at Rockford, Tennessee June 19, 1918. He attended Maryville College for two years and took a course in aeronautics at the University of Tennessee. He has been employed by Pan American Airlines for seven years. He is second officer or Co-pilot. He is engaged in trans-continental air flight and has crossed the ocean hundreds of times and has contacted many foreign countries. He has recently been transferred to England. He married Margaret Odonnell May 13, 1946. She received an M.A. degree from Columbia University in 1950.

The family home was at Levittown, Long Island, N. Y. Their children are:

(1) Susan	b April	10, 1947
(2) William Wade	b February	28, 1949
(3) Dean Scott	b July	22, 1950

(c). IRMA RUSSELL, third child of Floyd and Nellie Russell, was born at Rockford, Tennessee, July 28, 1921. She attended Maryville College for two years.

She married Joe H. Miser Jr., Dec. 15, 1943 who was born June 17, 1920 Blount County, Tennessee. He is the son of Joe H. Sr., and Nancy Broady Miser. He graduated from Maryville College. He was Captain in the Medical Corps during the last war and was overseas for two years. He is part owner and operator of the Russell Freight Lines in Maryville.

The family lives at Maryville where they enter into various enterprises of the town including Jaycees, Junior Chilhowee Club and New Providence

Presbyterian Church activities.

Their children are:

- (1) Joe H. Miser, III    b May                      4, 1948
- (2) Mary Lee                      b November      27, 1950

2. RENA KENNEDY, second child of Charles and Emma Kennedy, was born at the family home May 21, 1895. She attended Polytechnic High School and Maryville College at Maryville, Tennessee. She graduated from Draughtons Business College and was a stenographer for the Hall Furniture Co., at Knoxville, for two years previous to her marriage.

She married J. Clyde Lowery Dec. 24, 1922. The ceremony was at the Kennedy home. J. Clyde Lowery was born at Benton, Tennessee. He is the son of Thomas and Octa Cain Lowery. He attended the East Tennessee State Normal School for two years and received his B.A. and M.S. degrees from the University of Tennessee. He attended the University of Chicago for one quarter.

He taught four years in the rural schools of Polk County, Tennessee; one year in the high school at Copperhill, Tennessee; two years at the University of Tennessee and for the past twenty-eight years has been a teacher at Knoxville High School. The subjects mostly taught have been Chemistry, Physics and General Science.

The war record of Mr. Lowery is quite varied and covers some years of time. It includes Mexican Border service as an enlisted soldier with the 3rd Tenn. Regulars 1915-1916; enlisted soldier in World War I, 117th Inf. 1917-1919; World War II, 1941-44 as Captain and Major with the service rendered in various posts in the South.

The church affiliation of the family is the Central Methodist Church. The home is at Knoxville and the child of J. Clyde and Rena B. Kennedy Lowery is:

- (a) J. C. Lowery Jr.    b March                      5, 1925

(a). J. C. LOWERY, Jr., graduated from Knoxville High School, and from the University of Tennessee with a B.A. degree in 1950. He was a member of Phi Delta fraternity. He served in World War II and married Virginia Lynn Farris Feb. 3, 1949. She is the daughter of Mrs. C. E. Smith of Chattanooga. The ceremony was performed in the chapel of the Central Methodist Church. Their child is:

- (1) Norman Charles    b October                      23, 1949

4. ROBERT KENNEDY, fourth child of Charles and Emma Kennedy was born at the family home June 20, 1901. He married Ruby Keeling Dec. 14, 1925. She was born March 24, 1908. The home for several years was near Maryville, Tenn., but is now at Sweetwater, Tennessee. Their children are:

- (a) Kenneth Keeling    b November      27, 1935
- (b) Nellie Kathleen    b February      27, 1937

c. ROBERT HINES, third child of Joshua and Isabella Pickens Hines, was born at Nail's Creek Sept. 22, 1873. He remained at home, in school, and on the farm until 1900 when he became chief Deputy Sheriff under his Uncle



John H. Pickens in Blount County. He was accidentally killed when a gun fell to the floor on a tour of inspection of the prisoners. Thus was cut short the life of a very promising and well-liked young man. He died Jan. 21, 1901 and is buried in Eusebia Cemetery.

e. BEULAH HINES, fifth child of Joshua and Isabella Pickens Hines, was born at Nail's Creek April 5, 1884.

She married Roy Hood Beeler June 18, 1913. He was born Feb. 10, 1882. He was the son of Robert Barton and Mattie Jane Dotson Beeler and was born in Grainger County, Tennessee. From his record we find that he attended Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City and Maryville College, both in Tennessee. He received his A.B. from Maryville College in 1906 and an Honorary LL.B. in 1940. He graduated from the University of Chicago Law School, J. D. 1910, and was admitted to the Tennessee Bar in 1911. He practiced law in Knoxville until January, 1927. For four years during this period he was City Attorney for the City of Knoxville. For six years he was chairman of the Knox County Election Commission.

He was appointed Assistant Attorney General in January, 1927 and by special assignment served as attorney for the Railroad and Public Utilities Commission for about four years. He served as Solicitor General of Tennessee until November, 1932 when he was elected Attorney General and Reporter to succeed General L. D. Smith, deceased. He was re-elected to this office in September 1934, for the ensuing eight-year term and again in 1942 for another eight-year term. This Fall 1950, he has just been re-elected to another eight-year term. Needless to say he has served and is serving in this capacity with great distinction. His friendly spirit, genial manner and unpretentiousness have endeared him to all, who also admire him for his determination and personal achievements which have brought this special state obligation and honor to him.

Beulah Hines Beeler received her education at Porter Academy and Maryville College. She taught in public schools in Blount County. As the wife of Atty. Beeler she has many obligations. She is active in various organizations such as Womens' Clubs. She is known for her hospitality and good meals. She aids in the work of the Baptist Church.

The home of the Beelers has been at Nashville since their work called them there. Their child is:

1 Frances Elizabeth      b June      9, 1915

1. FRANCES BEELER was born at Knoxville, Tennessee. She married Arthur Stephens, June 18, 1938 in the Baptist Church at Nashville; he was born at Nashville and is the son of Arthur Wilson and Sarah Elizabeth Hyde Stephens. He graduated from David Lipscomb and Peabody College at Nashville and is employed in the production department of the T.V.A.

Frances received her early education in Knoxville and Nashville and her College education at Stephens College, Mo. The family home is at Nashville where all enter into the activities of the city. Their children are:

(a) Robert Beeler      b April      11, 1941  
(b) Elizabeth Ann      b September      13, 1943

II. ROBERT HOUSTON PICKENS (Huse), second child of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens was born Feb. 12, 1850 at the old John Pickens homestead at Nail's Creek as his parents were still living at the old home. He died Aug. 25, 1918 at his home near Eusebia Church and is buried at the Eusebia Cemetery.

He married Melvina Frances Hayes March 12, 1890, who was born Aug. 10, 1856, in Newton, N. C. She was the daughter of Henry and Eliza Dodd Hayes, a direct descendent of President Rutherford B. Hayes, from the record of a member of the family. She died April 12, 1935, and is buried in the Eusebia Cemetery. She was faithful to her duties as wife and mother and helpful in the neighborhood and Eusebia Church of which she was a consistent member.

Huse Pickens bought a farm from Hiram Bogle, located west of Eusebia Church. He lived the life of a bachelor on this farm until he married, (from the record of Judge Houston). He was elected a member of the county court and was called squire by many. He was also a school director for one term. He was afflicted with rheumatism which crippled him, somewhat. He rode horseback a lot and used a one-horse buggy on business trips. He was a prosperous farmer and raiser of stock. He was a large man, mirthful, an interesting talker and likable person. His advice was often sought.

He was a Deacon in Eusebia Church and was referred to by Dr. E. W. Hall after his death as "My good deacon", as was recalled by a member of the family. He was presented for christening at Eusebia Church Aug. 29, 1854 by his mother. This record is from an old church record of Eusebia Church. He was generous to the church, interested in its progress and a regular attendant.

Huse and Melvina Hayes Pickens had one child:

a Samuel Houston      b June                      7, 1891

a. SAMUEL HOUSTON PICKENS married Flossie Henry Dec. 17, 1913. She was born in Blount County Oct. 14, 1893, and is the daughter of George Robert (Tobe) and Ellen Davis Henry. Tobe Henry was born May 11, 1867 and died Aug. 31, 1928. Ellen Davis Henry was born Oct. 24, 1871 and died Aug. 7, 1949. They were married Oct. 24, 1892. Both are buried at Magnolia Cemetery in Maryville. Ellen Davis Henry was a daughter of Col. James Davis (Jan. 1, 1819—July 1898), and his second wife, Tennessee McMurry Davis who lived at the Davis Ford. They are buried at Pleasant Grove in Blount County. Tennessee McMurry Davis was a daughter of John (Jack) McMurry (Jan. 16, 1797—May 8, 1867), and Margaret Cowan McMurry (Oct. 14, 1798—March 27, 1864). The latter was a sister to Mrs. Samuel Pickens, Mrs. Alexander Pickens and Mrs. Samuel McCammon.

Flossie Henry Pickens attended Maryville College and since her residence at Eusebia has been of great help to that church as Sunday School teacher and worker in the Missionary society and in various other activities.

Samuel Pickens, son of Huse and Melvina Hayes Pickens lives on the farm of his birth. Besides operating the farm he has been employed with the Alcoa Aluminum Company for many years, where he has a responsible position.



He and all the members of his family have been supporters of the Eusebia Church.

Children of Sam and Flossie Henry Pickens are:

1 Elizabeth Ellen	b May	11, 1915
2 Samuel Robert	b February	20, 1919
3 Iva Belle	b December	2, 1922
4 Lois Ruth	b September	1, 1925

1. ELIZABETH PICKENS, oldest child of Sam and Flossie Henry Pickens, was born at the Eusebia home. She married John Smith Redwine Sept. 12, 1942 at Maryville, Tennessee. He is the son of the late Dr. John and Addie Combs Redwine of Jackson, Ky. He is an industrial engineer at the Alcoa plant; he is a trustee of the Broadway Methodist Church to which all the family give their support.

Elizabeth took a secretarial course after graduation from high school and for a number of years was employed at the Fidelity Banking and Trust Co., at Knoxville. She is a member of Chilhowee Club and active in various civic activities. The children of John and Elizabeth Redwine are:

(a) John S. Redwine, II	b June	2, 1943
(b) Robert Pickens	b July	21, 1945
(c) Alfred Lewis	b March	20, 1949

2. SAMUEL ROBERT PICKENS (Sam or Sammy), was born at the Eusebia home. He married Sarah Frances Parker April 10, 1946 at the Oak Ridge Chapel on the Hill. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Parker of Shelbyville, Tennessee and was born July 29, 1922. She attended U.T. for two years and received an Associate Arts Degree from the University of Minnesota. She was employed by the Tennessee Eastman Corporation at Oak Ridge at the time of her marriage.

Sam attended Maryville College and was in World War II. He was Staff Sgt. in the U.S. Field Artillery Battalion XIX Corps. From his record, "Awarded Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany, from June, 1944 to 30th Nov. 1944 in connection with military operations against the enemy. During the rapid retreat of the German armies through France, Belgium and Holland, the battalion was subject to long moves on very short notice and often was given a firing mission immediately upon arriving at its new position.

"Staff Sergeant Pickens' superior work in maintainance of equipment and supervision of the work of his gun crew made possible the firing of these missions in the minimum time essential for their successful completion.

"The leadership and untiring devotion to duty displayed by Staff Sergeant Pickens reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. He entered service from Tennessee, was awarded the Bronze star award—Five Battle Star pin." He is employed in the Shipping Department at the reduction plant at Alcoa, Tenn.

The home is at Maryville and their child is:

(a) Stephen Robert	b March	6, 1949
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3. IVA BELLE PICKENS, third child of Sam and Flossie Pickens, was born at the family home at Eusebia. She married Clarence Merald Thomas June 21, 1944 at the Broadway Methodist church, Maryville. He was born Sept. 28, 1917 at McKenzie, Tenn.

He graduated from the University of Tennessee. He was a Lt. in the Navy and designed and built submarines during World War II. He is now employed at an Electric Boat Co., in New London, Conn., where the family live. Iva graduated from the University of Tennessee. While there she was featured in beauty contests and was a member of the Kappa Delta Sorority. They attend the Methodist church. Their child is:

(a) Linda Gail

b July 20, 1945 at Portsmouth, N. H.

4. LOIS RUTH PICKENS, fourth child of Sam and Flossie Pickens was born at the family home at Eusebia. She married Kenneth David Cook Aug. 31, 1949, at the Central Methodist Church, Knoxville, Tennessee. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Cook of Black Mountain, N. C. He was in the service of World War II and was in Africa, Italy and Germany. He is a senior at the University of Tennessee. He and Lois Ruth live at Knoxville where she does secretarial work. She completed her high school course at Maryville and then took a secretarial course.

III. JOHN H. PICKENS, third child of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens, was born April 7, 1852 at the family home on Nail's Creek in the 11th District of Blount County.

He married Eliza Jane Boyd Sept. 19, 1872. She was born June 23, 1851 and is the daughter of the late Anderson and Elizabeth Vineyard Boyd who lived on Nail's Creek, Blount County. More of the Boyd lineage will be given at the end of this record. Elizabeth Boyd Pickens died March 13, 1934 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Homer Goddard at Maryville and is buried at the Eusebia Cemetery.

She was a faithful worker and Sunday School teacher in the Eusebia Church during her girlhood and married life until the family moved to Maryville. She was a good wife and mother, courageous and jolly and an interesting person. In her obituary this was said, "Mrs. Pickens was one of Maryville's most loved and highly respected women. She was a member of New Providence Presbyterian Church and a faithful member, always present when her health permitted."

John Pickens, after his marriage, lived on the Boyd farm which for long years had been owned by succeeding generations of his wife's family. This farm was on Nail's Creek road about 11 miles east of Maryville. Here he raised crops and kept a large number of stock at all times. He built a barn and a new home. He was energetic and thrifty and in a few years by hard work and good management created a considerable estate. Shortly after moving to Maryville the farm was sold and for some years he operated a grocery store at Maryville.

He would engage sometimes with his brothers or others in outside enterprises, such as buying up hogs in the early winter and packing them away and at intervals marketing them at Knoxville, Tennessee. He also engaged in buy-



ing timber and cutting it into lumber and marketing same.

He was elected Sheriff of Blount County in the year 1900-1902, which indicated in some degree the high esteem in which he was held. Blount County was largely Republican, perhaps three or four to one, but he was elected to this office as a Democrat by a majority over his Republican opponent. He was of medium height and rather frail body. He had blue eyes and a fair complexion.

He was treasurer for many years of the Porter Academy Endowment Fund before that school became Porter High School of the Blount County school system. He was a member of Eusebia Presbyterian Church and attended regularly when in its vicinity. He also supported it financially.

The children of John and Jane Boyd Pickens are:

a Ellen Elizabeth	b November	31, 1882
b Minnie	b July	7, 1884
c Jennie Lee	b June	4, 1887
d Robert H.	b March	13, 1889
e Alice Belle	b June	27, 1891
a Ellen Elizabeth	d July	16, 1901
c Jennie Lee	d December	29, 1919
d Robert H	d November	4, 1915

a, c, and d, of the above all died single and are buried at Eusebia Cemetery.

b. MINNIE PICKENS, second child of John and Jane Boyd Pickens, was born at the home of her parents on the Nail's Creek road in the 11th District of Blount County. She died at her home in Maryville, March 6, 1931 and is buried at the Bakers Creek Cemetery, south of Maryville. She attended Maryville College and lived in Maryville where in spite of ill health she was an inspiration and guide to her children. She married Thomas M. Hutton of Blount County, June 30, 1907. He was born in 1885, and died Jan. 13, 1931, and is buried at Bakers Creek.

The children of Thomas and Minnie Pickens Hutton are:

1 Helen	b September	6, 1912
2 Jean	b December	20, 1914
3 Isabel	b August	13, 1917
4 John Pickens	b March	31, 1922

1. HELEN HUTTON, oldest child of Thomas and Minnie Pickens Hutton, was born at Maryville. She graduated from Maryville High School and had one year at Maryville College. She married Paul Costner July 4, 1931. He was born Nov. 13, 1909 in Iliff, Colorado and is the son of the late Homer and Bertha Montgomery Costner. He is connected with the Costner-Eagleton Motor Company of Maryville and has the Ford agency. He is a member of the Board of Stewards of the Broadway Methodist Church which church the family actively supports. Helen is also active in the social and religious activities of the town. Their children are:

(a) Edwin Hutton	b June	17, 1941
(b) Paul Kermit	b January	15, 1946

2. JEAN HUTTON, second child of Thomas and Minnie Hutton was born at Maryville, Tennessee. She married Charles Von Vinsant July 28, 1937

at Maryville, Tennessee. He was born Jan. 27, 1911 at Etowah, Tennessee and is the son of the late Dr. C. C. and Italy Johnson Vinsant of Maryville, Tennessee. He had three years at Maryville College. He is Parts Manager of the Amos and Andy Buick Co. Jean is a graduate of Maryville College. The family belong to New Providence Presbyterian Church and are active in other activities. The home is in Maryville and their children are:

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| (a) Jean Yvonne | b January  | 22, 1939 |
| (b) Sharon Lee  | b April    | 24, 1948 |
| (c) Vickie Jane | b November | 12, 1944 |

3. ISABEL HUTTON, third child of Thomas and Minnie Hutton was born at Maryville. She married Sherlock Holmes Ballard April 7, 1940. He was born June 15, 1913 at Sevierville, Tennessee and is the son of E. B. and the late Martha Boling Ballard. He had two and one-half years at Maryville College. He is in charge of a Gulf Filling Station at Maryville, Tennessee. Isabel had two years at Maryville College and almost completed her final year at Tennessee Polytechnic Institute at Cookeville, Tennessee. The family aid in the work of New Providence Presbyterian Church and other activities of the town. Their child is:

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| (a) Thomas Bradford | b November | 30, 1946 |
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4. JOHN PICKENS HUTTON graduated from the University of Tennessee in 1948, following three and one-half years' service in World War II as a pilot in the Air Force. He lives in Maryville and is employed in the control room of the Knoxville Airport.

e. ALICE BELLE PICKENS, fifth and youngest child of John and Jane Boyd Pickens was born at the home on the Nail's Creek Road in Blount County. She married Homer A. Goddard in Maryville, Sept. 14, 1922. He was born April 29, 1891 at Wildwood, Tennessee, the son of Monroe and Tomella Evelyn French Goddard. The father was Principal of Porter Academy at Wildwood and also taught for some years at Tennessee Wesleyan at Athens, Tennessee. Homer graduated at Maryville College and completed a course in Law at the University of Tennessee in 1915. Since that time he has practiced law in Maryville. He is City Attorney for the City of Maryville and has been for a number of years. He has also been Attorney for the City of Alcoa since it was incorporated about thirty years ago.

Belle Pickens Goddard came with the family to Maryville when but a small child. She was educated in the Maryville City schools and Maryville College, graduating with a B.A. degree in 1912. She taught in the Maryville High Schools for ten years. She was President of Tuesday Club and has had various connections in the church and social life of the city. Her many capabilities, her neighborliness and excellence as a cook are well known attributes in Maryville. She has a pleasing personality, is of medium height and has black hair and blue eyes. The children of Homer and Belle Pickens Goddard are:

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| 1 Arthur Boyd    | b July    | 13, 1925 |
| 2 Houston Monroe | b January | 1, 1927  |

1. ARTHUR BOYD GODDARD, (A. B.) was born in Knoxville. He graduated from Maryville High School and received his A. B. degree from the





Mrs. Alice Pickens Cannon



Dr. Thomas H. Pickens



Samule L. Pickens, Oliver C. Pickens, R. Houston Pickens (standing—John H. Pickens). All on this page are children of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens and grandchildren of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens.







University of Tennessee in 1949. He was in the Navy in World War II and in the Pacific almost three years. He completed his law course at the University of Tennessee in March 1951. At the University he was granted a scholarship in Political Science and belonged to the Board of Editors of the Tennessee Law Review; also Phi Delta Phi, Phi Eta Sigma and Phi Kappa Phi. He is now connected with his father in the law business at Maryville. A. B. married Eula Gray Fortner Nov. 2, 1951 at the First Methodist Church at Maryville, Tennessee. She is the daughter of Mrs. E. N. Fortner and the late Mr. Fortner of Maryville. She is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and while there was a member of Pi Omega Pi. She is employed in the treasurer's office of the University.

2. HOUSTON GODDARD was born in Knoxville. He graduated from Maryville High School and received his B.A. degree from the University of Tennessee in 1948. He finished his law course at the University of Tennessee in 1950. He belonged to Phi Gamma Delta and Phi Delta Phi fraternities. He is now connected with his father in the practice of law at Maryville. He married Jamie Sarah Pannell Oct. 28, 1950. She is the daughter of Mrs. James Howard Pannell of Bakersville, N. C., and was born August 2, 1926. She attended Maryville College for two years and is employed as a stenographer at the Alcoa Aluminum Co. The wedding was solemnized at the First Presbyterian Church of Raleigh, North Carolina. The home is in Maryville where they are connected with the religious and social life of the city.

IV. SAMUEL L. PICKENS, fourth child of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens was born May 26, 1854 at the home of his parents on the Nail's Creek road in Blount County. He died on his farm near Seymour March 3, 1913, and is buried in the Eusebia Cemetery.

He married Eliza Keener Oct. 15, 1892. She was born March 5, 1861 and was the daughter of L. S. Keener. She died Aug. 20, 1936 at the family home and is buried beside her husband. She was a lover of flowers and enjoyed having them in abundance in her yard. She was capable and friendly and interested in the needs of her community. She taught Sunday school classes for a number of years in the church near her home. She was courteous and hospitable and very entertaining in her home and among people.

Samuel Pickens acquired a part of his father's farm in his young manhood and began the operation of it. A part of the farm was in Blount and a part in Sevier County. He built a home and barn on the upper end of the land near the Knoxville and Sevierville Highway, now the Chapman Highway. In addition to the raising of grain and hay on this farm he was engaged in stock trading, buying and selling, mostly mules and cattle. He had a wide acquaintance in Blount, Knox and Sevier Counties.

He and his brother Oliver Pickens, before the days of embalming, had a storage place for caskets near Burnetts Station and for years carried on a profitable business in this line.

Samuel Pickens had blue eyes, fair complexion and a slender, erect body. He was jolly, a good mixer, and well-liked. He and his wife liked young people and aided girls of the community with parental affection and care. They were entertaining and hospitable in their home.

They were members of Eusebia Church. Mr. Pickens took a leading part in the incorporation of Eusebia Cemetery under the State Law in 1907. This cemetery is the old burying ground of the church and he aided in raising a fund of some \$1,000, the interest of which is used for its upkeep.

Since they were near the Valley Grove Baptist Church and felt a need and a desire to help their closer neighbors they gave of their time and effort to this church. Bessie Keener, a niece of Mrs. Pickens, was born Dec. 8, 1896 and reared by this couple. She married V. L. Garrison June 14, 1934. He was born Nov. 27, 1890. They live in the Samuel Pickens homestead. V. L. is clerk of the session and elder of the Eusebia Church and they aid in the work of the church and community.

V. HARRIET E. PICKENS, fifth child of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens, was born at the family home Oct. 9, 1857. She died March 3, 1858 and is buried at the Eusebia Cemetery. She was evidently named for a sister of her mother, Harriet Emily Houston who had died Sept. 1, 1865 about a year before the birth of Harriet E. Pickens.

VI. THOMAS H. PICKENS, DR., sixth child of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens was born at the family home in the 11th District of Blount County, April 17, 1864 and died Oct. 26, 1897. He is buried in the Eusebia Cemetery. "He was a carpenter in his younger days and in a partnership composed of William H. McNelly, Andrew Delozier and himself constructed many substantial residences and barns in Eastern Blount County."

He attended Maryville College and later graduated at the Medical College in Knoxville, Tennessee. Soon afterwards he began the practice of Medicine with offices at Shooks, Knox County, Tennessee, a few miles from the home of his father. He had previously acquired from Dr. McPherson his practice in that locality. Dissatisfaction with the contract arose to such an extent that McPherson went to the office of Dr. Pickens and shot him on the porch in front of his office. McPherson was convicted of the murder and sent to the State Penitentiary.

Dr Pickens had many friends. He liked his chosen work and apparently had a successful future ahead. He was about 5 ft. 10 inches in height with blue eyes, ruddy complexion and a robust body. He was a single man. His untimely death was greatly mourned by relatives and friends.

VII. MARY ALICE PICKENS, seventh child of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens, was born April 8, 1866 at the home of her parents in Blount County. She died Nov. 23, 1907 in Knoxville, Tennessee and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery. She married John Guilford Cannon June 3, 1891. He was born Aug. 16, 1856 in Sevier County, Tennessee. He died Aug. 21, 1950 at Knoxville, Tennessee and is buried by the side of his wife.

He owned a large farm on the Knoxville Road just below Sevierville, Tennessee. This farm was the family home for some years. Later they moved to Knoxville, where Mr. Cannon was engaged in business. For 50 years he was a resident of Knoxville and for many years was a member of the insurance firm of Garrett and Cannon. He retained his mentality and interest in life until the end of his 94 years of life. He was an influential citizen wherever he lived,



aiding by his counsel and contributions to any just and needy cause. He was a member of the Church Street Methodist church for many years and served in various official capacities. He married a second time, Elizabeth Jackson who died some years ago.

Mary Alice Pickens Cannon "was a beautiful young woman, a brunette. She attended Girls High School in Knoxville and Maryville College. She was popular with young people and had many friends among them". She was an efficient home-maker on the farm and in the city home. She was a member of the Eusebia Church until her residence in Knoxville, when she became a member of the Methodist Church.

Guilford Cannon, familiarly called "Gib" and his wife Alice Pickens Cannon had one child:

a Julia Roe	b August	26, 1892
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a. JULIA CANNON was born in Sevier County, Tennessee and reared in Knoxville, Tennessee. She died in Rockwood Tennessee, Aug. 19, 1948 and is buried there. She married Harry Clay Howard Sr., Oct. 23, 1918 at Knoxville, Tennessee.

Harry C. Howard Sr., was born May 28, 1889 at Rockwood, Tennessee. He is the son of Sewell and Tennie Renfro Howard. He is a graduate of the Baker-Himel School and the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, Tennessee. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity. He is an elder of the First Christian Church at Rockwood, Tennessee. He is President of the Rockwood Stove Works, Rockwood, Tennessee, Vice-President of Samuels Stamping and Enameling Co., Chattanooga, Tennessee, director of Rockwood Mills and former director of the First National Bank of Rockwood, Tennessee. He is also former Commissioner of the City of Rockwood. He was First Lt. in the Army in World War I.

Julia Cannon Howard was a leader in the social and religious life of the city of Knoxville during her residence there. She was a charter member of the Girl's Cotillion Club. She graduated from Knoxville High School and Washington Seminary, Washington, D. C. She was a member of the Colonial Dames of America.

After her marriage she lived in Rockwood where she was an integral part of the religious, civic and social life of the city. From her obituary notice we have this: "She was a member of the Christian Church and active in all the branches of its service. She was past president of the Monday Club, and of the P.T.A. and served on the executive boards of the Council of Church Women, Girl Scouts, Y.W.C.A. and the Red Cross."

The children of Harry Clay Sr., and Julia Cannon Howard were born and reared at Rockwood and are:

1 Julia Cannon	b February	11, 1927
2 Harry Clay, Jr.	b May	1, 1929

1. JULIA HOWARD graduated from Salem Academy, Winston-Salem, N. C., Pine Manor J. College, Wellesley, Mass., and from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee in 1949. She was a member of Chi Omega

Sorority. She was a member of the Girl's Cotillion Club of Knoxville. She is a member of the First Christian Church at Rockwood, Tennessee. She married Raymond Reid Gibson Dec. 28, 1948 in the First Christian Church at Rockwood.

R. Reid Gibson was born Dec. 23, 1923 at Chattanooga, Tennessee. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bryan Gibson of Spring City, Tennessee. He graduated from the High School at Spring City and from the University of Tennessee. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity. He is a member of the Methodist Church of Spring City. He was a First Lt. U. S. Army Engineers in World War II. He is a member of the active Reserve Corps. He and his wife live at Morristown, Tennessee, where he is employed by the Proctor and Gamble Co., and Julia is a Welfare Worker in the Department of Public Welfare.

2. HARRY C. HOWARD, Jr., is a graduate of Baylor School, Chattanooga, Tennessee. He is a Senior at Vanderbilt University at Nashville, Tennessee. He is a member of the Naval R.O.T.C. to be commissioned in the Marine Corps upon graduation in June, 1951. He is a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity. He is a member of the First Christian Church of Rockwood, Tennessee.

He married Mary Helen Harrison June 12, 1951. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Mark Harrison of Atlanta, Georgia, and the wedding ceremony was in the Second Ponce de Leon Baptist Church in Atlanta.

VIII. OLIVER C. PICKENS, eighth child of Robert and Elizabeth Houston Pickens, was born May 5, 1870 at the home of his parents on the Nail's Creek road in the 11th District of Blount County, Tennessee. He died March 5, 1948 at his home which was also his birth-place. He is buried at the Eusebia Cemetery.

He married Miranda Cornelia McCroskey Sept. 28, 1893. She was born Sept. 28, 1870. She is the daughter of the late John S. and Miranda Jane Cunningham McCroskey of Sevier County.

Cornelia McCroskey Pickens has always been a greatly admired person. Her radiant personality, her friendliness, her intense interest in the affairs of friends, relatives, and neighbors have endeared her to the many people her life has touched. She has long been a member of the Eusebia Presbyterian Church, a faithful attendant upon its services whenever able to attend, aiding in its support and enterprises by words of cheer to the workers as well as by financial support.

She was diligent in the duties of her home and on Sept. 28, 1943 celebrated with her husband the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. It was a happy occasion when scores of people called at the home to express good wishes and to show homage to this couple who, so happily married, had greatly endeared themselves to young and old. In feeble health Mrs. Pickens is now being cared for in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Leonard Keeble at Maryville, Tenn.

Oliver Pickens spent his entire life in the home of his birth. Upon the death of his parents he procured a section of the farm. Here he continued to raise crops and keep up a good supply of cattle and hogs.



He engaged in the sale of funeral equipment with his brother Samuel Pickens, which business has already been mentioned. I remember that cousin Ollie told of an incident at one funeral. Before leaving the house the grandchildren brought gifts of china, etc., which had been given to them by their grandmother but which were now to be buried with her. This act appears to be a remnant of the Indian custom of burial, but I did not know that it was ever used with our native people. He had much to do with Eusebia Cemetery and aided in the naming and location of graves.

Oliver Pickens was a lifelong worker in the Eusebia Church. He was a deacon for many years and at the time of his death was an elder of the church. He was faithful in attendance and aided in any and all enterprises of the church. He was secretary of the Building Committee when the new church was built in 1935, and perhaps more than any other bore the brunt of the construction of the new church.

He was of medium height, blue eyes and fair complexion. He had a well-modulated voice with a quality easily noticed and not forgotten. He was pleasant and likable. He was a good neighbor and interested in the welfare of his community. He was honest and industrious and in his long residence in the community maintained with his parents and later, his wife, a home noted for its friendliness and hospitality. As the last living grandson of old John Pickens, among the many lines in our group, he symbolized to us who knew him, the best of all our ancestors and is greatly missed.

The children of Oliver and Cornelia McCroskey Pickens are:

a Orin M.	b November	6, 1897
b Robert H.	b June	21, 1900
c J. Guilford	b November	16, 1905
d M. Viola	b April	23, 1908
e S. Ralph	b May	22, 1911
a Orin M.	d August	6, 1898

b. ROBERT PICKENS, second child of Oliver and Cornelia McCroskey Pickens, was born at the home of his parents June 21, 1900. He married Clara M. Halliburton June 16, 1926, at Maryville, Tennessee. She is the daughter of Homer H. and Lavenia McDonald Halliburton. Clara graduated from Maryville High School in 1920. She attended the University of Tennessee and East Tennessee State Teachers College. She taught in Knox and Blount County Elementary schools (1920-1927) and in the Knoxville City Schools 1943-1946.

Robert Pickens attended the schools of his community and Maryville High School at Maryville. He has long been connected with automobile mechanics. He has been connected with the Ford Agencies in Maryville and from 1923 to 1947 in Knoxville, Tenn. For most of the latter period he was service manager for Chastain Cable Motor Co., Spier's Motor Co., and J. C. Mahan Motor Co. He is now service manager for the Terminal Garage of Knoxville, Tennessee.

He and his family have long been members and workers in the Greystone

Presbyterian church at Knoxville where he was a deacon and is now elder.

The children of Robert and Clara Haliburton Pickens are:

1 Barbara Ann	b December	15, 1927
2 Mac Donald	b January	30, 1930

1. BARBARA ANN PICKENS graduated from Young High School in 1945 and from the University of Tennessee with B.S. in Home Economics in 1949. She is now teaching Home Economics in the High School at Ducktown, Tennessee. A part of her duties is the planning of meals and the supervision of the preparation and serving of meals for over five hundred students and teachers.

2. DONALD PICKENS graduated from Young High School in 1949. He married Bobbie Jean Hurst of Knoxville, Tennessee on May 5, 1950.

c. GUILFORD PICKENS, third child of Oliver and Cornelia McCroskey Pickens, was born Nov. 16, 1905 at the family home. He attended the public school near his home and high school at Porter. He remained single and remained on the farm where in the last years of his father's life he was of great help not only in looking after the farm but in his faithfulness in constant care and nursing of his ailing father, and infirm mother. He was a member of the road commission of Blount County. He was of a rather quiet nature but had a wide circle of friends. He died Feb. 19, 1949, a little less than a year after his father's death. He is buried in the Eusebia Cemetery.

d. VIOLA PICKENS, fourth child of Oliver and Cornelia McCroskey Pickens was born April 23, 1908 at the family home. She married Leonard Keeble April 22, 1934 at the home of her parents. He was born Feb. 7, 1909 and is the son of Laban and Catherine Garner Keeble of Walland, Tennessee. He is a graduate of Porter High School. He is employed at the Aluminum Company at Alcoa. He is a former deacon of the Eusebia Presbyterian Church and is now an elder of that church.

Viola graduated from Maryville High School in 1916. She remained at home where she was of great aid to her parents until her marriage. The family home is at Maryville where the children attend school at Everett grade and high schools. The family drive the distance of 12 miles to the Eusebia Church where all are active in its various activities. The children of Leonard and Viola Pickens Keeble are:

1 Marilyn Cornelia	b April	3, 1936
2 Terry Pickens	b January	26, 1939
3 Julia Elizabeth	b June	29, 1944
4 Janet Teresa	b December	28, 1950

e. RALPH PICKENS, fifth child of Oliver and Cornelia McCroskey Pickens, was born May 22, 1911 at the family home. He attended school at Porter High School. He became ill and died at the early age of 20 years, and is buried at the Eusebia Cemetery.



## THOMAS PICKENS

L. THOMAS PICKENS, twelfth child of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens, was born at the homestead of his parents on Nail's Creek, Blount County, Tennessee, Sept. 26, 1812. He died at the home of his birth Aug. 18, 1883. He is buried at the Eusebia Cemetery.

He married Harriet McBath Feb. 8, 1844, daughter of Andrew McBath. This notice was in the Knoxville Register of Feb. 14, 1844. "Married: on the 8th inst. by the Rev. M. Pope, Mr. Thomas Pickens and Miss Harriet McBath, daughter of Mr. Andrew McBath — all of Blount County."

Harriet McBath Pickens died about a year after her marriage on Feb. 4, 1845 and the notation in the old Pickens Bible about her is that she was 25 years and 55 days of age. That would make her birth in 1820. She is buried beside her husband. Thomas Pickens married a second time Elizabeth Dykes, Feb. 16, 1868.

Thomas Pickens by the will of his father was given all the land on the north side of the place with the improvements. There was a provision that he was to have "the full possession, use and benefit of the property and land, but not to be at liberty to dispose of it till he is of age." He kept the property as long as he lived. He was a successful farmer and stockman and his name is found in frequent transactions in the buying and selling of property in the section, which are on record at the trustee's office at the Blount County Court House. Some of the property bought was from Andrew Kirkpatrick, Joseph Brown and M. Bogle in 1847: to A. J. Taylor, 1865, John Finley, 1866 and to W. D. McGinley in 1868. He bought the farm of his brother Alexander Pickens' heirs, Nov. 5, 1849 and bought most of the inherited land of his brother Robert Pickens in 1850. He is listed with other Pickens men who bought 5000 acres of land Sept. 2, 1845. This transaction is a county grant of Sevier County, Tennessee and is to be found 680 of Book 26 of land grants at the State Library at Nashville, Tennessee.

Thomas Pickens was bequeathed the old John Pickens Bible and the cupboard at his mother's death. The Bible was treasured in turn by his daughter and was put in my care by Thomas McMurry, her eldest son, and it has verified quite a number of dates.

In his more feeble years, Thomas Pickens is said to have ridden, frequently and at will over the surrounding country. He carried a rifle and two big black dogs and one little one followed him.

Thomas and Harriet McBath Pickens had one child:

I Harriet Jane	b January	30, 1845
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I. HARRIET PICKENS was born at the homestead of her parents and in the old John Pickens home. She was only five days old when her mother died. She was reared by her father and other relatives who lived nearby. She was a

likable young woman and throughout her life was an example of fortitude, Christian faith, family love and piety and neighborly interest. She was a member and supporter of the Eusebia Presbyterian church and aided other churches near her place of abode. She died Nov. 20, 1920 at her home at Knoxville, Tennessee. She is buried at Greenwood Cemetery.

She married Joseph Campbell McMurry Sept. 28, 1865. He was born July 9, 1841 and died May 12, 1895. He is buried at Eusebia. He was a Federal soldier of the war of 1860-1865. He was a son of William McMurry and his wife Margaret Malcolm McMurry, who was a daughter of William Malcom.

Joseph McMurry purchased a farm on Nail's Creek, joining the old Pickens farm. Here he and his wife reared their large family of children. They were all supporters of the Eusebia church. After the death of Mr. McMurry the family moved to Maryville, where they lived until 1904, when they moved to Knoxville, Tenn.

The children of Joseph and Harriet Jane Pickens McMurry are:

a Thomas	b September	19, 1867
b John Edwin	b February	4, 1869
c Mary Viola	b July	11, 1870
d Andrew Russell	b November	16, 1873
e Samuel Newton	b April	2, 1876
f Harriet Letitia	b May	7, 1878
g Margaret Adria	b August	25, 1880
h Lula Jane	b May	25, 1882
i Benjamin Franklin	b March	3, 1885
j Nellie Maud	b October	25, 1889
b John Edwin	d December	29, 1883
g Margaret Adria	d February	19, 1913

a. THOMAS McMURRY, oldest child of Joseph and Harriet Pickens McMurry, was born Sept. 19, 1867 and reared at the home of his parents. He came with the family to Maryville and attended Maryville College. He was long connected with the A. R. McMurry Construction Co., of Knoxville, Tennessee. He was an active member and elder of the Fourth Presbyterian Church and maintained a continual interest in the Eusebia Church. He attended the Homecomings there and for many years was a member of the group of "Eusebia Singers," composed of male descendents of pioneer Eusebia families. He remained single and was ill for some months preceding his death, which occurred Jan. 28, 1948, in Knoxville, Tennessee. He is buried at Greenwood Cemetery. His hobby was Pickens history as has been shown with his photograph.

c. MARY McMURRY, third child of Joseph and Harriet Pickens McMurry, was born July 11, 1870 and reared in the Eusebia section, living also with the family in Maryville, and spending the latter part of her life in Knoxville, Tennessee, where she died Oct. 9, 1947. She is buried at Greenwood. She remained single, lived at home all her life and aided not only in the care of her mother in her infirmities but was a "second mother" in assisting in the problems of the widowed mother and in her advice and interest in the various enterprises and needs of all the family. She was very active in the Missionary





Joseph C. McMurry



Mrs. Joseph C. McMurry

Mrs. McMurry was the daughter of Thomas Pickens and granddaughter of John and Letitia Hannah Pickens.



Sons of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. McMurry. Front Thomas McMurry: back, left to right: Ben F., Andrew R., and Samuel N. McMurry.





Society and other work of the Fourth Presbyterian Church. She and her brother Thomas lived together for many years after the other children had gone. She cared for her brother in his illness, preceding him in death by only three months.

d. ANDREW RUSSELL McMURRY (A. R.) fourth child of Joseph and Harriet Pickens McMurry, was born Nov. 16, 1873 at the home of his parents on Nail's Creek. He moved with the family to Maryville and Knoxville. He attended Maryville College and by process of experience and aptitude became a foremost contractor and builder. The A. R. McMurry Construction Company came into being and for many years has occupied a place of special significance among the people of Knoxville and vicinity. The company has been known for its high quality of service, its dependability, its conformity to the trends and needs of the day and the expert advice of its personnel about any matter of construction. A. R. McMurry married (1). Minta Purviance July 3, 1904. She died April 10, 1910 and is buried at Greenwood. He married (2). Kaptola Warlick Feb. 7, 1925. They are workers at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The home is at Knoxville and there are no descendents.

e. SAMUEL NEWTON McMURRY, (Sam), fifth child of Joseph and Harriet Pickens McMurry, was born April 2, 1876 at the home of his parents on Nail's Creek. He came with his family to Maryville where he later married and resided. He died May 15, 1945 and is buried at Magnolia Cemetery. He attended Maryville College and was employed at the Aluminum Company in Alcoa for some years before his death. He was an active member of New Providence Presbyterian Church which his family has supported for many years. He married Ova Broady June 3, 1903. She lives at the family home near Maryville. The child of Samuel and Ova Broady McMurry is:

1 Wallace Broady                      b February                      4, 1908

1. WALLACE McMURRY is employed at the Aluminum Company. He married Iva Drinnen July 3, 1931. They live at the home place and are active in church and other activities of Maryville. Their child is:

(a) Joe Drinnon                      b June                      1, 1932

f. HARRIET LETITIA McMURRY, sixth child of Joseph and Harriet Pickens McMurry, was born May 7, 1878, at the home of her parents. She moved with the family as they changed places of abode. She died Oct. 30, 1912 and is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Knoxville, Tennessee. She married Walter D. Bales Sr. He was born June 11, 1879 and died Dec. 19, 1932. The children of Walter D. and Letitia Bales were born at Knoxville and are:

1 George Campbell                      b October                      5, 1909  
2 Walter Jr.                      b January                      13, 1911

1. GEORGE BALES is employed in the office of a book equipment concern. He married Nellie E. Duncan. They attend the Methodist Church and live in Fountain City, Knoxville, Tennessee. Their child is:

(a) George Jr.                      b March                      26, 1945

2. WALTER BALES, JR., has been with the Telephone Company for a number of years. He married Ruth Childs. She was born May 16, 1914. The home is at Louisville, Ky., and their children are:

(a) Patricia	b March	14, 1936
(b) Walter D. III	b June	19, 1939
(c) Bruce Alan	b November	5, 1944

h. LULA JANE McMURRY, eighth child of Joseph and Harriet Pickens McMurry, was born May 25, 1882. She moved with the family to their homes at Maryville and Knoxville. She attended Maryville College and taught in grade schools before her marriage. She married Ora B. Andrews, March 26, 1908 in Knoxville, Tennessee. He was born May 5, 1885 in Indiana. He died March 30, 1944 and is buried at Lynnhurst. He was a construction foreman for a building company. The home was at Knoxville, where the children were born and where his widow now lives. The family have long been active in the work of the Presbyterian church. The children of Ora B. and Lulu McMurry Andrews are:

1 Fred McMurry	b December	9, 1909
2 Minta Thelma	b October	26, 1911
3 Mary Charlotte	b September	21, 1915
4 Infant daughter	b and died April	29, 1922

1. FRED ANDREWS is chief Engineer at the WROL Broadcasting Station at Knoxville, Tennessee. He and his family are active in the Fountain City Presbyterian Church where he has filled various offices as deacon, etc. The home is in Fountain City and their children are:

(a) Linda Judith	b November	2, 1940
(b) Barbara McMurry	b March	19, 1945
(c) Richard Blackburn	b October	8, 1948

2. THELMA ANDREWS graduated from Maryville College. She married Ralph C. Caldwell Nov. 6, 1936. He is employed in a construction services company. He is an elder in the Fountain City Presbyterian Church, where the family are all active members. The home is in Fountain City and their children are:

(a) Charles Eugene	b January	27, 1948
(b) Thomas Andrew	b April	4, 1949

3. CHARLOTTE ANDREWS graduated from the University of Tennessee and received a degree in Library Science at the North Carolina State University at Chapel Hill. She married Dr. Edwin Lee Williams June 11, 1942. He is a physician of Nashville, Tennessee where the family live. They support the Presbyterian Church. Their children are:

(a) Stephen Calloway	b October	14, 1947
(b) Michael McMurry	b November	30, 1950

i. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN McMURRY (Ben), ninth child of Joseph



and Harriet Pickens McMurry, was born March 3, 1885 at the home of his parents at Nail's Creek. He came from Blount County to Knoxville with the rest of the family. He attended Knoxville Schools and graduated in Architecture at the University of Pennsylvania. For many years he has been connected with Barber and McMurry, Architects. He has had a most successful career, with the company, a well known and reliable concern.

Ben McMurry married Ruth Searle June 27, 1923. She is the daughter of William Searle of the Bearden community, who was organist for the Presbyterian church at Bearden for many years and whose family contributed much to the church and community. In advanced years he makes his home with the McMurrys; his wife has been dead for some years. Ruth Searle McMurry is actively connected with the church, civic, and social groups of Knoxville, where the family live, and all aid in the work of the Second Presbyterian Church. The children of Ben and Ruth Searle McMurry were born at Knoxville and are:

1 Benjamin Franklin Jr.	b February	6, 1926
2 Melissa Ruth	b June	3, 1928
3 Joseph Searle	b June	17, 1936

1. BEN McMURRY, Jr., is studying Architecture at the University of Pennsylvania.

2. MELISSA McMurry graduated from the University of Tennessee in 1949 and is taking a course in Business Administration offered to selected girls who study by practical experience in a large store in Atlanta, Georgia.

3. JOSEPH SEARLE McMURRY is taking a Pre-medical course at the University of Tennessee.

j. NELLIE MAUD McMURRY, tenth child of Joseph and Harriet Pickens McMurry, was born Oct. 25, 1889 and reared at the family home on Nail's Creek. She moved with her family to Maryville when but a child. She attended Maryville and Knoxville public schools and graduated from Maryville College in 1911. She taught school for one year. She died April 18, 1946 at her home at Knoxville and is buried at Greenwood Cemetery. She married Guy Love Barber Oct. 26, 1915. He was born Sept. 28, 1887 in DeKalb, Ill. He came to Knoxville when about 14 years of age. He attended the University of Tennessee for two years and completed a course in Engineering at Schenectady, N. Y. He is a building clerk at the Chavannes Lumber Co., at Knoxville. He has long been active in the work of the Fourth Presbyterian Church and has served in various official capacities as deacon, elder, etc.

Maud McMurry Barber was superintendent of the Primary Dept. of the Fourth Presbyterian church for many years. She was also active in the Missionary society and various other enterprises of the church. She was President of the P.T.A. and was an interested and active helper in any worthy

cause. She was a good seamstress, cook and homemaker; she had a jolly, likable personality and rendered most acceptable service in her sphere of life. The children of Guy and Maud McMurry Barber are:

1 Harriet Love	b April	15, 1917
2 Dorothy Louise	b June	15, 1920
3 Mary Ruth	b April	20, 1924

1. HARRIET BARBER graduated from Maryville College in 1939. She was one of the two first graduates to receive the newly bestowed degree of B.A. from the Music Dept. She did a lot of solo singing in Maryville and had a solo part in "The Messiah." She was President of the Theta Literary Society. She taught public school music in Mississippi, the first year after her graduation from college.

She married Samuel W. Blizzard June 5, 1940. He was from Philadelphia, Pa. He graduated from Maryville College in 1936, and from Princeton with a Masters Degree in Divinity. He received his Ph.D. at Cornell in Rural Sociology. He teaches Sociology in Pennsylvania State College and preaches in various churches of the area on Sundays.

Harriet Blizzard sings at various places and is active in the work of her community. The home is at State College, Pa., and their children are:

(a) James McMurry (Mac)	b June	6, 1943
(b) Jane Christie	b May	1945

2. DOROTHY BARBER graduated from Maryville College in 1942. She majored in Religious Education. She was active in the "M" Club and the Y.W.C.A. She was active in the work of the Fourth Presbyterian church at Knoxville and at one time was Secretary of the church and worked with the young people there. After her graduation she studied voice at Knoxville and now sings a great deal. She is a member of the New Providence Presbyterian church choir and active in the Music Club and other activities of Maryville.

She married Arthur Story Bushing April 6, 1944 in California. He was born March 24, 1922 in Oroville, Washington. He received his B.A. from Maryville College in 1943 and an M.A. from the University of Tennessee. He served three years in the Army in World War II. He was Staff Sgt., and studied French Language and Culture at Sorbonne, France. He is now Assistant Professor of English at Maryville College. The home is at Maryville and he is active in the work of the church and community. Their children are:

(a) Arthur Stuart	b March	18, 1946
(b) Barbera Ann	b November	28, 1949

3. MARY RUTH BARBER graduated from Maryville College in 1946. She was active in Y.W.C.A. She lives in Knoxville and is employed at the Library of the University of Tennessee. She studied voice after graduation and sings as a soloist at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Knoxville.



## ALLIED FAMILIES

Because of the general interest of the material and of the special interest to the families most closely connected to the allied histories, I have included what I had on hand or could easily obtain about the families connected in one or more ways with the people of the Pickens history.

## ANDERSON—McREYNOLDS LINEAGE

William Anderson was the pioneer of a large group of Andersons in Blount County. He was from Virginia and his father is said to have also been named William. He came to Blount County in the early years of its organization and settled first at the head of Crooked Creek two miles west of Block House. From Mr. Parham's record "he prospered and built a brick house near the top of a hill within three miles of Maryville. It was east of the home of Mrs. James Fezell and was on Pistol Creek in the eighth District."

Also from his record—"the minutes of Blount County Court Vol. 6 P 123 show that Oct. 7, 1844 a year's support was laid off for Miriam, the widow of William Anderson. The administrator was a son, Calvin D. Anderson." From this we infer that William Anderson had died shortly before this time.

William Anderson married Margaret Miriam Hannah, probably a relative of our Letitia Hannah Pickens. In our possession are deeds of conveyance from heirs of William Anderson Feb. 20, 1854 and signed by Margaret Miriam Hannah Anderson.

The children of William and Margaret M. Hannah Anderson are: 1 Calvin b 1806—sheriff of Blount County — single: 2 Andrew Lyle b Jan. 2, 1809, d March 11, 1882, m (1) Martha Scruggs and (2) Betsy Creswell—c—Erskine, Mrs. Margaret Russell; 3 Robert m (1) Nancy Harris Nov. 15, 1838 and (2) Malinda (Blankenship) Keene Jan. 24, 1861; (4) James Ross whose record will be given below; (5) Matthew (twin) m (1) Sarah A. Hicks Feb. 27, 1851; (2) Sarah A. Chapman Feb. 8, 1863 and (3) a Miss Thompson; 6 Isaac G. (twin) m Mary E. M. Ross Feb 7, 1854; 7 William H. m Jane Houston Oct. 11, 1836; 8 Eliza m William Boyd Nov. 12, 1833; 9 Margaret m William M. Rorex March 31, 1936. (From Parham record).

James R. C. Anderson (Ross), son of William and Miriam Hannah Anderson was born Nov. 28, 1828 and died at Rockford, Tenn. Aug. 17, 1893 and is buried in Magnolia Cemetery, Maryville.

He married Rebecca E. Wright Jan. 20, 1846 in Blount County. She was born April 16, 1828 and died Feb. 17, 1890 and is buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of Nelson Wright, who from the Parham record, lived two or three miles below Maryville. Nelson Wright had a son "Dev" Wright who married Nancy Jane Walker, whose daughter Nellie

Wright married Squire Will Russell of Rockford and whose descendents have lived and some still live in Blount County. Another son Will, called Billy Wright married (1) a Henderson and (2) a Thompson. They had a son Will Wright and a daughter Mary (Molly) who married John Kennedy whose descendents live in this section.

Nancy m John McClain. Dorcus m Wright Kirby.

From a history of Rockbridge County, Va., I find that Nelson Wright married Polly Houston, who had a brother John who married Jane McNeely and sisters, Rebecca who married Jefferson Young and Hettie who married John Nichols.

Nelson Wright      b. January 20, 1790—d. July 8, 1862

Polly Houston Wright was a daughter of William Houston born 1767 and his wife Mary Black Houston. This ties up with the Houston record given in the book. William Houston was a son of Samuel Houston (1728-1797) who married Elizabeth McCroskey, March 20, 1753. (They are the grandparents of Judge Houston and Elizabeth Houston Pickens, children of Robert Houston Jr.). Samuel Houston was a son of John Houston, (1689-1755) who married Margaret Cunningham 1717 and is said to have come to America from Ireland in 1735 with a widowed mother whose husband had also been named John.

In the Rockbridge County history we find this: "John Houston the pioneer, figured in an exploit during his voyage from Ireland to Philadelphia. He and his fellow passengers became convinced that the captain and crew meant to rob them. So the passengers put the suspects in irons and navigated the vessel themselves."

The children of Ross and Rebecca Wright Anderson were: Mary who married John McColloch with descendents in this section and William Calvin born Aug. 15, 1848, died Jan. 14, 1889 and is buried at Magnolia. He married Mildred Miranda McReynolds.

Ross and Rebecca Wright Anderson first lived in the region of Forest Hill church near Maryville. Jan. 6, 1873 they with their son Calvin and wife bought land at Rockford, Tennessee from Mrs. Phoebe J. Porter, widow of Dr. W. S. Porter. The record of deeds shows that part of the farm goes back to the granted land deed of Joshua Hannah who on June 14, 1807 owned 170 and three-fourths acres and also to John Roddy who owned granted land purchased at 12 and one-half cents an acre, in Jan. and July 1825.

There is also an interesting story about this home as it is reliably reported that Dr. Isaac Anderson, founder and President of Maryville College died in the house on the farm, which, situated on the river, was lived in by the Andersons until the flood of 1875 when the house was moved to higher ground, part of it incorporated in the present house which is now our home.

In a history of Dr. Isaac Anderson, by Dr. Samuel T. Wilson, President of the College, we find that Dr. Anderson's home at Maryville burned March 17, 1856 and that following this "Dr. Anderson moved with this kind family, who had been living with him (Rev. John M. Caldwell and wife — the former wife of Samuel Anderson, his son), and their children to Rockford, in whose home he died Jan. 28, 1857, and from whose home his body was taken across the gunnel bridge at Rockford to its resting place at Maryville." Mr. Parham said that Dr. Porter lived in Maryville and that his house was made



available to Dr. Anderson and family. Part of the Ross and Calvin Anderson farm dated back to an old Thomas Caldwell whose descendent, David Caldwell and family lived at this time in another home on the farm and until April 2, 1867 when the property was sold. They were probably closely related to Rev. John M. Caldwell who lived with Dr. Anderson and who, about the time they moved here was pastor of the Eusebia and Rockford Presbyterian churches, the latter of which was organized by Dr. Isaac Anderson in 1853 who became also its first pastor.

Calvin Anderson, son of Ross and Rebecca Wright Anderson, and his wife Mildred M. McReynolds Anderson lived at Rockford from the date of purchase of their property. Calvin died at an early age and his wife reared the six children who were: Minnie, James C., John, Della, William Alonzo (Lon), and Hebert F. (Bert). The latter two now own the farms of the original purchase to which they have added other land.

Mildred Miranda McReynolds, wife of Calvin Anderson, was born Aug. 24, 1851 in Blount County and died at Rockford, March 7, 1934. She is buried beside her husband. She married Calvin Anderson Jan 1, 1870. The Anderson home was one of religious atmosphere. They gave their full allegiance to the Rockford church which they joined when coming here, twenty years after the formation of the church.

A record from Miss Grace McReynolds, Maryville, Tennessee gives a long line of McReynolds lineage. Joseph McReynolds was born at Tyrone or Dunganon, Ireland in 1715. He married Sarah Dixon in Ireland 1738. Both died in Sequatchie Valley, Tennessee.

Their children were Roland, James, Robert, Samuel, Joseph Jr., John, William and two daughters, one of whom married John Reed and has descendants in Delaware and Maryland.

The Joseph Jr., McReynolds of the above children was born in Virginia 1762. He died in Blount County 1866 and married for his second wife Rachel Rainey who also was born in Virginia and died in Blount County, Tennessee.

Joseph Jr., and Rachel Rainey McReynolds had a son John McReynolds who came to Blount County from Sequatchie Valley and married his first cousin, Jane McReynolds, Nov. 27, 1799 in a fort near Maryville. She died 1824 and was the daughter of another Joseph McReynolds. Her mother was probably a Woods. From some old records she had a sister Betsy McReynolds who married Alexander Jr., who had sons John and Holbert, and a sister Sarah who married Martin Rorex.

The children of John and Jane McReynolds of Blount County were:

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| 1 Stephen   | 5 Mary (Polly)      |
| 2 Guilford  | 6 Elizabeth (Betsy) |
| 3 Ferdinand | 7 Martha (Patsy)    |
| 4 Robert    |                     |

1. Stephen McReynolds married Eleanor Tedford who died July 16, 1858, aged 48 years and 28 days, and is buried in Magnolia. Their children were Nancy, who died in infancy, Mary Jane, who married Addison Houston, and lived in Blount County and Joseph T. McReynolds, who was a Major in the

Union army in the Civil War and was killed in the battle of Murfreesboro Dec. 30, 1862. Stephen McReynolds is said by a relative to have been the first Judge of Blount County.

2. Guilford McReynolds (record below)
3. Ferdinand McReynolds went to Georgia
4. Robert McReynolds married Sarah Weir and had children Stephen and John Calvin.
5. Mary McReynolds married Archibald Gresham and moved to Illinois.
6. Elizabeth McReynolds married Marshall Tipton and moved West.
7. Martha McReynolds married Isaac Wells and lived at Wellsville, a few miles below Maryville. Descendents are in that region.

2. Guilford McReynolds was born May 12, 1815 in Blount County, died Jan. 30, 1894 and is buried at Magnolia. He married Parmelia G. Gamble who was born Sept. 1, 1821, died Jan. 6, 1884 and is buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of Aaron and Agnes Lilburn Gamble who was born in 1786. Aaron Gamble was born March 1, 1780 and died Nov. 12, 1849. He lived in Blount County but the place of his burial is not known. He did fine cabinet work and some good pieces of furniture from his hand are still in the families of descendents. His lineage is not complete but from an old Bible he was the son of Andrew Gamble. There were and are still many Gambles in Blount County. From a history prepared by Major A. Marion Gamble of Blount County, Tennessee the oldest Gamble was a John Gamble who came from County Chester, Ireland to Pennsylvania. He had a large family of whom there was a Josias Gamble (1760-1823) who married Ann Gamwell (1755-1801) Oct. 8, 1772. Their history with a long line of descendents has been worked out. Also there is some history of the descendents of Moses Gamble, brother of Josias Gamble. From known kinship of the Gamble families it appears that Andrew Gamble, father of Aaron Gamble, was a brother of Josias and Moses Gamble.

The children of Guilford and Parmelia Gamble McReynolds were:

- 1 Ferdinand Magellan (Ferd) died out West
- 2 Aaron Gamble died as Captain in Union Army in Civil War.
- 3 William Alfred died as a private in the same Union Army.
- 4 Robert Philander (twin) Judge of Blount County m—Dilla McConnell
- 5 John Alexander (twin) lived in Blount County m—Laura Porter
- 6 Stephen Milford (Tobe) lived in Blount County m—Nannie McConnell now living in Maryville and 90 years old June 7, 1951
- 7 Nancy Jane who married (1) William Broady (2) Lamar Wallace and (3) Isaac Anderson McCulley
- 10 Sidney Ann m—Campbell Boyd
- 11 Mildred Miranda m—Calvin Anderson (record given)
- 12 Martha Isabella m—Dr. Monroe Mundy

All of the above children are dead and all lived in Blount County unless otherwise specified.



## BERRY LINEAGE

This record was obtained mostly from the history of Drury Berry (deceased) of Knoxville, Tennessee. Joseph Berry, the pioneer to this section married Mary Lawson White, related to the first settlers of Knoxville.

He had a son Josiah Berry who died in Knox County Oct. 26, 1806 and who married Nancy Wells, born March 17, 1777. She was the daughter of Jesse Wells who was born in 1749 in Amelia County, Virginia, died Sept. 21, 1843 and is buried at a private burying ground on the "Peter Blow" farm near Knoxville. The name of his wife was Elizabeth — and he was a Revolutionary soldier whose record has been established.

Josiah and Nancy Wells Berry had children named James, Mary, Margaret, Hugh Lawson, Elizabeth Wells, George Caldwell, Nancy McCondle, Susannah Waggoner and Jo Davis Berry. Nancy Wells Berry married (2) Michael Davis Dec. 17, 1807.

Hugh Lawson Berry, fourth child of Josiah and Nancy Berry was born Jan. 15, 1800, died Dec. 31, 1887. He married Anna Parker Feb. 15, 1827, who was born Oct. 24, 1805 and died March 16, 1879. She was the daughter of John and Susanne Parker. Hugh Lawson Berry and wife came to Knox County early in their married life and settled on a farm at Mt. Olive where their children were reared and are buried. Their children were Michael Davis, John Parker, Josiah, Mary Ann, Jesse Wells, Nathaniel Muncy, Susanna Goddord, Nancy Wells, George Caldwell, Barbara Eleanor, Davis Parker, Rachel, Margaret E., Harriet M., and William Lawson Berry. Several of the children married and stayed in the region of Knoxville. The youngest son William Berry lived all his life on the old Berry place and several of his children still live on part of it. Ralph L. Berry (recently deceased) of the Berry funeral home is one of them. Drury, a brother of Ralph Berry is the one who collected the Berry history.

Michael D. Berry, oldest son of Hugh Lawson and Anna Parker Berry, was born Feb. 29, 1828 and died June 24, 1865 at the close of the Civil War and is buried at Nashville. He married Mary Harmon May 30, 1850, who was born Sept. 22, 1829 and died June 12, 1893 and is buried at Mt. Olive. She was the daughter of John Harmon born Aug. 17, 1806 and died Nov. 18, 1896. He lived near and is buried at Neubert Springs, Knox County. His mother was a Childress and his wife was a Hoosong.

The children of Michael D. and Mary Harmon Berry are: Rosalia Caroline, Martha, Louisa, Emily, Laretta and John Berry. All are deceased. The oldest child Rosalia Caroline Berry married Samuel Pickens.

## BOYD LINEAGE

The Boyd record was obtained from Major McTeer's record, Eusebia notes and Mr. Parham. It is of interest not only to descendants of the Cunningham and Jane Pickens line but by inference, also, to those related to Cowan descendants and others.

James McTeer, b in County Down, Ireland 1697, d Jan. 16, 1785 in America. He m—(2) Margaret Anderson who d 1784. The second child of James McTeer was Elizabeth McTeer b April 9, 1734, d May 28, 1805 m William Boyd and the home was in the Eusebia section.

The children of William and Elizabeth McTeer Boyd are:

- |                   |                |  |
|-------------------|----------------|--|
| 1 Sarah           | b May          | 12, 1761—m a Gartin                        |
| 2 Mary            | b June         | 11, 1763—m a Skeen                         |
| 3 Agnes           | b August       | 29, 1765—m Charles Kirkpatrick             |
| 4 Margaret Serene | b August       | 4, 1767—m William McGaugha of Boyd's Creek |
|                   | d              | 1842                                       |
| 5 Robert          | b December 25, | 1771—m a Bogle                             |
| 6 James           |                |  |

James Boyd Sr., received a grant of land from Gov. Carroll, Oct. 5, 1826. This property was on Nail's Creek and remained in the hands of Boyd descendants until Jane Boyd Pickens moved to Maryville. James Boyd Sr., born Nov. 18, 1780, d July 29, 1839, m Hannah McMurry Sept. 3, 1797 who was b April 9, 1784, d May 28, 1805. Their children were:

- |                |             |          |
|----------------|-------------|----------|
| 1 Nancy        | b July      | 6, 1800  |
| 2 John M.      | b October   | 4, 1802  |
| 3 William      | b October   | 30, 1801 |
| 4 Elizabeth    | b October   | 26, 1803 |
| 5 Samuel       | b July      | 10, 1805 |
| 6 Sarah        | b November  | 6, 1806  |
| 7 Mary         | b November  | 28, 1808 |
| 8 Robert       | b September | 23, 1810 |
| 9 James A. Jr. | b June      | 29, 1814 |
| 10 Anderson    | b September | 15, 1816 |
| 11 Campbell    | b August    | 10, 1818 |
| 12 Harvey      | b June      | 24, 1820 |

2. Of the above children, John M. Boyd m Matilda Anderson April 21, 1841; 3 William Boyd d Jan. 13, 1883. He m Eliza J. Anderson Nov. 12, 1833 who was b April 23, 1815 and d 1870. Their children were: (1) J. Calvin b July 26, 1860 who m Sibba McColloch, daughter of John McColloch and went to Nebraska; (2) William Campbell who m Sidney A. McReynolds May 4, 1865; (3) Mary Lucinda b Dec. 12, 1844, d June 6, 1908, m Capt. Theodore F. Wallace, b April 28, 1841, d June 30, 1923; (4) John M. m Eben J. Walker Feb. 9, 1871 who was b Oct. 1, 1846, d March 25, 1907; (5) Miriam m Ferd McReynolds, b Oct. 1, 1846, d March 25, 1907.

4. Elizabeth married John Hafley (more history of them is in this record).
5. Samuel died Oct. 1, 1858. He married a McNutt. A daughter who married a Graham had a son who was pastor of New Providence Presbyterian Church several years ago.
6. Sarah married Ben Cunningham (their record is in this history).
7. Mary died Jan. 29, 1865.
8. Robert married and had a family.



9. James A. Jr., died Dec. 20, 1892. He married Abigail Hart March 5, 1844. A child Nathaniel Campbell was born Feb. 24, 1845 and died Jan. 26, 1909. He married Elizabeth E. McColloch Aug. 3, 1866.
10. Anderson married Elizabeth C. Vineyard April 8, 1846. She was born Oct. 3, 1819 and died in 1869. Anderson Boyd died Jan 4, 1863. The children of Anderson and Elizabeth Vineyard Boyd were:
  - (1) Eliza Jane who married John Pickens (her history has been given).
  - (2) James Harvey Boyd was born June 22, 1847 and died July 3, 1870. He was single and was a student at Maryville College at the time of his death. He and Major Cunningham were rooming together at a place where the Christian Church now stands.
11. Campbell died Jan. 19, 1851. He was an early pastor of the Eusebia Church.
12. Harvey died Feb. 25, 1821.

## CRESWELL—EVANS LINEAGE

Andrew Creswell was the great-grandfather of Elizabeth Houston Pickens, wife of Robert Pickens. From old Eusebia Church and Cemetery records and from other sources quite a bit of information concerning him and his family is available. On Sept. 23, 1928, Rev. J. B. Creswell, a great-grandson of Andrew Creswell delivered an address about his ancestor at the Boyd's Creek church, which furnishes part of this record.

Andrew Creswell was born Jan. 12, 1757 in South Carolina, died in Sevier County July 16, 1838. He married Dorothy Evins (Evans) March 22, 1780, who was born Dec. 11, 1756 and died in Sevier County at about the age of 100 years. Andrew Creswell came to the Boyd's Creek section of Sevier County with his father William Henry Creswell about 1787. A sister Polly who married a Huffaker and a brother Henry also came along with him.

Andrew Creswell was a brave soldier of the Revolution having served a period of thirteen years or more in various wars of the early period. He was of great aid to the early settlers of the Boyd's Creek section and Ramsey's Annals relate stories of his bravery. He and his wife were charter members of the Eusebia Presbyterian Church and he was an elder and worker in this church for many years.

The children of Andrew and Dorothy Evans Creswell are: 1 Nancy b Feb. 5, 1781; 2 Henry b Oct. 18, 1782; 3 William Evins b June 10, 1784; 4 Rebecca b May 3, 1786; 5 Elizabeth b May 24, 1790; 6 Samuel E. b April 14, 1792; 7 Margaret V. b March 24, 1794; and 8 Dorothy b March 22, 1798.

2. Henry Creswell of the above children went to Alabama.

3. William Evins Creswell married Elizabeth McMurry, daughter of Samuel McMurry, and purchased the farm later owned by Robert Pickens. William E. Creswell died May 8, 1852. The children of William Evins and

Elizabeth McMurry Creswell are:

- |             |                      |
|-------------|----------------------|
| (1) Nancy   | (6) Andrew           |
| (2) Dorothy | (7) Dorcas           |
| (3) Samuel  | (8) William Anderson |
| (4) Minerva | (9) Elizabeth Hannah |
| (5) Sarah   |                      |

(2). Dorothy Creswell married Robert Houston and her record is found in the pages of Houston history. Her daughter, Elizabeth Rowe Houston is the one who married Robert Pickens of the preceding Pickens record.

(3). Samuel Creswell married Kathryn Williams. Names of their children are: Caroline, who married Guilford Davis; Elizabeth, single; William Campbell and Richard who married and reared families. All went to Texas to live.

(6). Andrew Creswell married Ann Gamble, daughter of A. B. Gamble of Little River, and located on Nail's Creek near its source in Blount County. Names of the children are: Elizabeth, Mary, Margaret, Minerva, Alexander Breckenridge, Nancy, William Glasgow, John B. and Marion Gamble Creswell. The John B. Creswell of the list is the Rev. J. B. Creswell who for many years preached in this area and for many years was pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Bearden, Tennessee. He wrote valuable history of the pioneers of the Eusebia section, a Gamble genealogy and other valuable articles of information.

(8). William Anderson Creswell married Phoebe Bicknell of Madisonville, and moved to Texas, where they reared a family.

4. Rebecca Creswell married Joseph McMurry. From the Creswell paper they went to Putnamville, Putnam County, Indiana. A letter was written by this couple to a sister Margaret Creswell before her marriage to Mr. Snoddy. In the letter she mentions that she has heard of the death of her father. The letter was dated June 24, 1836.

6. Samuel E. Creswell married Polly Fagala and settled on the old homestead at Fagala Gap, Sevier County.

7. Margaret V. married Glasgow Snoddy and located on the place later owned by D. R. Pitner.

Rev. Creswell had in his possession the old will of Samuel Evans, father of Dorothy Evins who married Andrew Creswell the Revolutionary soldier. The will was made Feb. 7, 1804 and the administrators were Andrew Creswell and Robert Evans. From the Parham papers the children are listed as:

- 1 Samuel Andrew
- 2 Joseph
- 3 Andrew
- 4 Elizabeth M.
- 5 Peggy Vance
- 6 James
- 7 David
- 8 Robert
- 9 Charles
- 10 Dolly Creswell

b December 11, 1756



The statement is made by Rev. Creswell that four brothers-in-law of Andrew Creswell were in the battle of King's Mountain. I found an interesting note about an Andrew Evans in a list of Revolutionary soldiers. I think he is the Andrew above and one of the four soldiers mentioned. Andrew Evans was in Rhea County when he received a pension on Sept. 24, 1832. He was born April 4, 1763 in Frederick County, Virginia. He was living in Washington County, Virginia when he substituted for his father, Samuel Evans, who was drafted in that county, in April 1799. In Sept. 1780 he substituted for his brother Joseph Evans who was drafted in Washington County. He was in the battle of King's Mountain. He had moved to Washington County, Virginia before the war and afterward he moved to Knox County, Tennessee, then to Grainger County, then Sevier County, and then to Rhea County where he died. In the old Eusebia church record there is notice of the marriage of Andrew Evans to Dorothy McMurry Aug. 18, 1827. There is also notice of the marriage of William D. Evans and Elizabeth McMurry Nov. 29, 1827. An Andrew Evans is mentioned as being a member of the first County Court of Sevier County, Nov. 8, 1794.

There were several Evans men listed as Revolutionary soldiers. Several Evans people were also on the old record as members of the Eusebia Church. Several land grants were given to people of the Evans name for land in and around Sevier County.

### COWAN HISTORY

The parents of the Cowan sisters who married Pickens men have not been definitely determined. Until proved incorrect I am pretty certain that the father was named Christopher Columbus Cowan and that the mother was a Boyd before her marriage. We do know that the family lived on Boyd's Creek, Sevier County, Tennessee. No old records have been found in a home about them and the older records at the Sevier County Court House burned. David Cowan, who also lived at Boyd's Creek in the early days, was probably a brother to our old ancestor. William Cowan of Blount County had descendents who are also known to be akin to our branch so there is a close relationship between all of them.

We do know the names of the Cowan children and something about most of them. Their names are:

1 Margaret (Peggy)	b October	14, 1798
2 Jane M. W.	b December	5, 1800
3 Mary (Polly)	b About	1804
4 Cynthia	b January	16, 1811
5 Martha Boyd	b November	5, 1813
6 Viney	b	
7 Hugh E.	b About	1821
8 William Montgomery	b	1824

1. Margaret Cowan married John (Jack) McMurry who was born Jan. 16, 1797 and died May 8, 1867. Margaret died March 27, 1864. Both are buried at Eusebia. They had several children one of whom was Tennessee

McMurry who married Col. Jim Davis and had two children, Ellen who married (Tobe) Henry and Rachel who married Andrew Hitch with descendants in Blount County.

2. Jane Cowan married Samuel Pickens
3. Mary Cowan married Arch McMurry and had children, Serilda, James and Nancy. They lived near Ellijoy church in Sevier County.
4. Cynthia Cowan married Alexander Pickens.
5. Martha B. Cowan married Samuel McCammon.
6. Viney Cowan married Anderson Bowers and lived in Sevier County. They had several children, James Bowers being the one perhaps better known by his Pickens relatives.
7. Hugh E. Cowan married Julia Seaton, who was born May 28, 1825. I traced them to Jasper, Tennessee but they moved from there and the oldest resident contacted didn't know where they went.
8. William Montgomery Cowan married Barbara Seaton, a sister to his brother's wife, and born May 9, 1827. They moved to Kansas where William died Nov. 19, 1882. After considerable writing and following all sorts of clues, I was able to contact descendants of this family. They live at Chetopo, Kansas. There were ten children, one of whom Samuel Cowan, born April 1, 1867, was still living about six years ago.

### DAVIS HISTORY

In Goodspeed's history of East Tennessee, there is a statement from James D. Davis who married Mary Jane Pickens. He says "that he is a son of William and Jane Cusick Davis and that his father was a native of Carter County, and the son of James Davis who came from North Carolina and was a pioneer of Carter and Blount Counties. He also says that his mother was a daughter of Samuel Cusick."

From the William Davis Bible to which I have had access, the following Davis record is taken.

William Davis was born Jan. 6, 1811 and died Feb. 11, 1891. He married Jane Cusick July 1, 1830. She was born Feb. 12, 1810 and died Oct. 29, 1855. There is a record of the marriage of William Davis and Nancy Lawson on Aug. 29, 1828. There is no record of her death but she probably lived only a few months after marriage.

The children of William and Jane Cusick Davis are listed as:

- |             |            |                               |
|-------------|------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 Nancy     | b August   | 1, 1831—d May 14, 1871        |
| 2 Elizabeth | b August   | 25, 1832—m January 22, 1860   |
| 3 Samuel C. | b April    | 19, 1834—m September 19, 1854 |
| 4 James D.  | b May      | 17, 1836                      |
| 5 Martha    | b February | 23, 1838                      |



6 Mary Anna	b December 25, 1839—d October 13, 1845
7 John R.	b April 23, 1842
8 Margaret J.	b May 25, 1844
9 Andrew	b June 1846—d April 10, 1847
10 William L.	b March 19, 1848
11. Anderson M.	b November 2, 1851
12 Anthony Washington	b March 27, 1860

It is said by relatives that the William Davis who married Jane Cusick was a very religious man. He was a devout member of his church and faithful to all its obligations of time and effort. He would stop the work of himself and any workers with him on his farm and attend any service in progress. On one occasion, so the story goes, his saddle horse strayed away from home. A search was made which ended when the horse was found, patiently standing beside the hitching post at the church.

### HOUSTON HISTORY

This record with the addition of a few dates from Judge Houston's record is copied from "History of Rockbridge County, Virginia, by Morton."

Houston—1 John—b 1629, d 1755, Margaret—1717. C: James (dy), Robert (b 1720, m Mary Davidson), Isabella (m William Gillespie), Esther (m John Montgomery), John, Mary (m a Blair) Samuel and Matthew.

2. Robert-son of 1-C; John, Samuel, Bettie (m James McClung), Margaret (m James Hopkins), Esther (m James McKee), Mary (m John Letcher).

3. John-son of 2-m-Anne Logan, d 1809-C: Robert, William, Elizabeth (m Samuel Goodman 1803), Esther (m John Scott 1795), Anne (m William H. Scott 1804), Mary (m John Speer 1797).

4. Samuel-son of 2-d 1906-m Elizabeth Paxton-C: Paxton, Robert, James, John, Samuel, William, Issabella (dy), Mary (m 1 Matthew Wallace-2 William Wallace), Eliza (m A. Moore).

5. John-son-of 1-b 1726-d 1798, m Sarah Todd-C: James, John, Samuel, William (unknown), Robert, Matthew, Alice (m William Stephenson), Margaret (m 1 Alexander McEwen, 2 Samuel Doak), Esther (m Joel Wallace).

6. James-son of 5-b 1754 d 1810, m Elizabeth Weir-C: Polly b 1779, m Andrew Irvine), George William, Hugh W. and John (dy).

7. William-son of 6-b 1786, d 1868, m L. Elizabeth H. Finley, 2 Susan Weir-C: James (unknown), Ann E. (m George White), George W. (m Anetta L. Wilson), Elvira, Mary J., John F., William H. (m Elizabeth H. Irvine).

8. George W.-son of 7-C: Finley W. (m Grace A. Alexander), Mary (m G. W. Rowe), William E., Ann E.

9. William H-son of 7-C: Charles (k 1864), Margaret C., William H., Susan.

10. Samuel-son of 5-b 1768, d 1839, m (1) Elizabeth Hall, (2) Margaret

Walker 1794-C: Elizabeth S. (m James Paxton), Maria T. (m Samuel Walkup), Jannetta M. (m Madison Gilmore), Matilda R. (m John H. Myers), Elvira M. K. (m John J. Moorman), Samuel R. and John D.

11. Samuel R.-son of 10-b 1806-m (1) Mary R. Rowland, (2) Margaret P. Paxton-C: Rutherford R. (m Maggie Steele of Ill.), William P., Samuel A., A. Coray, Mary M., Helen A., Elizabeth M., Janet H., James B., and Hubert T.

12. William P.-son of 11-b 1843 d 1918, m (1) Edith J. McClung, (2) Hannah M. Barclay.

13. John D.-son of 10-b 1809, d 1878 m (1) Martha Wilson, (2) Lizzie Steele, Ill. C: Samuel W., Margaret W., Mary R., Bettie S., Horace, Ella M., Janetta M., Jennie C., Martha H., Leroy D., Robert B., Anna L., Matilda P., John and Mabel.

14. Matthew-son of 5-b 1762, d 1847, m Patsy Cloyd-C: Sophia C., Emily H., Andrew C., David G., Matthew H., and Cynthia M.

15. Samuel-son of 1-b 1728, d 1797, m Elizabeth McCroskey 1753-C: John b 1754, d 1824-m (Martha Jones), James (Major) b 1757, d Dec. 22, 1840, m (1) (Esther Houston, 1780 and (2) Polly Gillespie, 1791), Robert m (Elizabeth Lockhart, (2) Martha Blackburn), William (m Mary Black), Matthew b 1722, m (Martha Lyle); Elizabeth (b 1789 of 2d wife).

16. William-son of 15-C: John (m Jane McNeely), Polly m (Nelson Wright); Rebecca m (Jefferson Young) and Hettie m (John Nichols).

Judge S. O. Houston of Knoxville, Tenn., though now retired has been an eminent lawyer and was Judge of Knox County for several years. He is also a valuable citizen, a life-long church worker of the Presbyterian church and has been actively engaged in many enterprises of social, educational and religious development. He is the son of the child Robert in 15 of the above list and the rest of the Houston record will be from his personal files.

Robert Houston was born in Rockbridge County, Va., in 1760, coming to Tennessee about 1792 where he lived until his death in 1835. His farm home was located about eight miles southeast of Knoxville. He and his wife Elizabeth Lockhart were married in Augusta County, Va. Their children were Elizabeth — single — died early. William L., married Rebecca Woodward near Hopkinsville, Ky., and settled in Howard County, Mo. Samuel Houston d — young in Huntsville, Ala. James Houston was blind some years before his death, which occurred at the home of a nephew Robert Lockhart Houston, in Blount County. Matthew Houston m Jane McCroskey, third cousin and moved to Iowa where he lived and died. John Houston died Jan. 1824 in Knoxville and is buried at Eusebia. Robert Houston, b July 11, 1802 in Knox County m Dorothy Creswell Aug. 9, 1826, who was b June 26, 1807. Mary Houston d — single 1870 at the home of her brother Joe Houston, Madisonville, Tennessee.

The children of the above Robert and Dorothy Creswell Houston were: Elizabeth Rowe, who married Robert Pickens. Harriet Emely, b Nov. 28, 1831, d Sept. 1, 1856; William H. b March 3, 1853, d Feb. 9, 1845; Eliza



Jane, b July 14, 1837, d Jan. 13, 1838; Samuel Burton b July 19, 1839, d March 13, 1863; Robert Lockhart b Jan. 9, 1844, d March 16, 1906. (father of Judge Houston); Nancy Dorthula b Aug. 30, 1847, d Aug. 13, 1871. These children are all dead and all buried at Eusebia.

Robert Lochart Houston of the above list married Margaret Ann Niman Jan. 16, 1868. She was the daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Ann Niman, neighbors of the Houston family. Robert L. Houston "six feet, two inches in height, blue-eyed had a ruddy complexion. He was a blacksmith and farmer. The home was on the Sevierville road, nine miles east of Maryville and was a mecca for pastors, laymen or others who often stopped for nourishment and rest both for themselves and for their animals of travel. Mr. Houston was for several years a trustee of Porter Academy and was an elder in the Eusebia Presbyterian church from May 3, 1873 until his death, a period of 33 years. He was also clerk of the session from May 3, 1886 for a period of 22 years and superintendent of the Sunday school for many years. Mrs. Houston also was faithful to Eusebia church and to her family, a beautiful young woman who in the last several years of her life suffered greatly with inflammatory rheumatism. She d June 17, 1927; her husband d May 6, 1906 and they are buried at Eusebia. Their children are: Francis Houston b. Nov. 25, 1868; Samuel O'Grady (Judge) b April 13, 1871; Carl Thomas b Nov. 16, 1873; William Edgar b Oct. 31, 1875; Robert Lockhart (Rev.) b Jan. 9, 1879; Joseph Oscar b July 22, 1881, who lived at the old Houston home until a few years ago and who though now living in Maryville still supports the Eusebia Church by long time service as superintendent of Sunday school, church officer etc.; Ann Elizabeth b July 24, 1886 who has an important position with the Fidelity Bank and Trust Co., at Knoxville.

### KIRKPATRICK LINEAGE

Charles Kirkpatrick b Feb. 19, 1759, d April 1826, m Agnes Boyd who b Aug. 29, 1765, was the daughter of William and Elizabeth McTeer Boyd of Blount County. Their children are:

1 Thomas		
2 Sarah	b January	27, 1797
3 James	b November	3, 1798
4 Elizabeth	b May	4, 1800
5 Andrew	b February	17, 1801
6 Nancy		

1. Thomas Kirkpatrick figured in various transactions in Blount County and is said to have moved to Georgia. From the record of E. Spears McCollough, Knoxville, Thomas Kirkpatrick m a Brown and their children were: (1) C. Boyd who possibly m a Brown and their children are Dr. Joe and Levinia who m Arthur Parker; (2) Mary m a Lauderdale; (3) Faun m. J. Wilson Webb of Chattanooga; (4) Elizabeth m a Robinson in Chattanooga; (5) Sarah m David Speer and descendents lived at Varnell, Ga.; (6) Alice m a McDonald and children lived at Varnell Ga.; (7) Emmer m James Hackney, lived at Dalton, Ga., and had children, Clyde and Jessie.

2. Sarah Kirkpatrick married Ben Cunningham Sr., Jan. 14, 1818. She was born Jan. 7, 1797 and died Jan. 9, 1845. He was born Nov. 17, 1797 and died March 14, 1849. The children of Ben Sr., and Sarah Kirkpatrick Cunningham are:

( 1) John H.	b November	18, 1818
( 2) Nancy	b November	7, 1820
( 3) Charles	b November	3, 1822
( 4) James E.	b June	10, 1826
( 5) Polly	b October	12, 1828
( 6) Riley	b March	1, 1831
( 7) Allen P.	b July	27, 1833
( 8) William N.	b January	19, 1835
( 9) Benjamin Jr.	b December	10, 1840
(10) Wiley H.	b April	8, 1841
(11) Sarah H.	b September	30, 1842

- ( 1) John H. died May 17, 1844.
- ( 2) Nancy died Nov. 4, 1850. She married John Davis and lived at Maryville.
- ( 3) Charles died September 5, 1824.
- ( 4) James E. died December 10, 1846.
- ( 5) Polly died January 2, 1883. She married M. A. Martin.
- ( 6) Riley died January 27, 1849.
- ( 7) Allen P. died December 16, 1863. He married Mary Cowden and they were parents of Nancy Ellen Cunningham who married James Henderson Sheddan, whose record has been given in the Jean Henderson line.
- ( 8) William N. died February 26, 1839.
- ( 9) Benjamin Jr. married Jane Ann Sheddan and their record has been given in Jean Henderson Sheddan line.
- (10) Wiley H. died January 27, 184—.
- (11) Sarah H. died January 9, 1845.

3. James Kirkpatrick m Elizabeth or Betsy Sheddan, Sept. 24, 1834, according to a Blount County marriage license. James was b Nov. 3, 1798, d Feb. 12, 1845. His name figures in various land transactions of Blount County.

4. Elizabeth Kirkpatrick married John Hafley Dec. 1, 1837 who died May 20, 1885, and is buried at Eusebia. John Hafley was b Oct. 22, 1782, d May 25, 1858. The children of John and Elizabeth Hafley are:

(1) Andrew	b December	17, 1838
(2) Sarah E.	b November	19, 1878
(3) Charles	b October	20, 1842

- (1). Andrew Hafley died June 6, 1907. He married Euphrasia Goddard May, 1871; b Feb. 27, 1842, d Sept. 2, 1877. Both are buried at Eusebia



Church. Andrew C. Hafley was admitted to Eusebia Church by examination Jan. 22, 1860 and baptized the same day. The children of Andrew and Euphrasia Goddard Hafley are:

(a) George	b July	17, 1872
(b) Horace	b November	13, 1876
(c) Estella	b November	19, 1878

(2). Sarah E. Hafley died January 27, 1852.

(3). Charles Hafley remained single and died July 18, 1904. Both he and his brother Andrew were members of the 3rd Tenn. Cavalry, in Co. A of the Union soldiers in the Civil War.

The above Hafley record was sent to me by Miss Estella Hafley, Knoxville, Tennessee. She wrote this of the older generation of Hafleys. "My grandfather John Hafley was married twice and there were a number of children by the first wife but only three by the second wife. My father and Uncle Charles joined the Union Army while the older boys joined the Confederate Army, thus losing contact with each other thereafter."

#### McCROSKY LINEAGE

Miranda Cornelia McCroskey, wife of Oliver C. Pickens, was the daughter of John S. McCroskey, born Aug. 21, 1819, and died April 10, 1894 and his wife Myranda Jane Cunningham McCroskey born Sept. 15, 1826 and died April 15, 1899. She was the daughter of James Cunningham (1800-1826) and Mary Huffaker Cunningham (1802-1857). The children of John S. and Myranda Jane Cunningham McCroskey are:

1 Robert J.	b April	1, 1847—married Eliza Wright
2 Mary Jane	b December	30, 1848—died in infancy
3 Dorothea	b December	31, 1849—died February 21, 1856
4 Marcus	b March	7, 1852—m Jennie Beech, d June 14, 1890
5 William	b December	8, 1854—died October 21, 1858
6 Sarah (Kate)	b December	28, 1856—m Frederick Emert died 1934
7 John E.	b October	12, 1859—m Minnie Fagala
8 Harriet	b June	9, 1861—died October 9, 1865
9 Samuel	b March	31, 1864—died September 12, 1865
10 Madison	b June	6, 1868—died September 24, 1872
11 Cornelia	b September	28, 1870—m Oliver Pickens
12 Charles Cowan	b July	30, 1873—died September 4, 1875

This record was obtained from a Trent-Huffaker history with the addition of some dates from the Eusebia Cemetery record.

John S. McCroskey of the above, was the son of Robert McCroskey, born June 11, 1790 and died Feb. 12, 1846 and his wife Mary M. (Polly) Sharp, born July 28, 1798 and died Dec. 21, 1884.

Robert McCroskey was the son of John McCroskey (Revolutionary soldier), born Sept. 26, 1757 and died Aug. 1843, and his wife Anne Montgomery McCroskey, born Aug. 15, 1760 and died March 13, 1829.

The above John McCroskey was a Revolutionary soldier. Rev. John Creswell in his Eusebia history of 1924 had this to say about him. "He located near the head waters of Boyd's Creek. He was of Scotch-Irish Presbyterian stock and perhaps among the first in the organization of Eusebia Church. His name is on the war records at Washington linked up with the battle of King's Mountain, the decisive battle of the Revolution."

John McCroskey, the Revolutionary soldier was a son of Samuel McCroskey who was a son of John McCroskey who married Elizabeth Anne Montgomery the daughter of John Montgomery and his wife Esther Houston, who was the daughter of John Houston (1690-1754) and his wife Margaret Cunningham Houston.

The above information with some added dates was secured from a lineage chart prepared by Mr. W. O. Whittle, deceased, of Knoxville. At the golden wedding celebration of Oliver C. Pickens and wife, Sept. 28, 1943, Mr. Whittle brought a lineage chart as a gift. He also brought a lovely photograph of Anne Montgomery McCroskey, wife of the Revolutionary soldier.

### MINNIS HISTORY

I found some quite important items of Minnis history. There is a printed record of the "Minnis Family of Ireland and America", compiled by Elizabeth Austin, Genealogist, and printed by the Press of the Republican-Record, Carrollton, Mo. 1912. I saw this book in the home of Miss Ethel Minnis at New Market, Tennessee and will quote from it.

"In the County Down in Northern Ireland John Minnis, the Colonist, was born." From the old Minnis record the date of birth was March 21, 1750. "He was of Scotch-Irish stock and his parents were Samuel and Mary Bittles Minnis of Ireland. Some time previous to the Revolutionary War John Minnis, then a young man, immigrated to the new world and settled within 15 miles of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania."

The records of the War Dept. Washington, D. C. show he was sergeant in Capt. John Clark's Company muster roll of Sept. 1777. The report of the State Librarian Revolutionary soldiers of Virginia, page 311, shows his bounty warrant was 4,267. He received a wound in the face and carried the mark till death. Tradition says, and it is well authenticated, that John Minnis was with the mob which threw the tea overboard in Boston Harbor, that he was in the battle of Bunker Hill, was at Valley Forge and Yorktown, that he served throughout the war and for some time was an orderly under Washington.

Subsequently to the close of the Revolutionary War, he returned to Ireland, where he married Nancy Susan McCammon of County Tyrone. (Minnis Bible gives the date as Feb. 22, 1787). She was the daughter of Samuel and Susannah (Anderson) McCammon, who were Scotch.

John Minnis was heir to a large estate in Ireland, the papers pertaining to which were in the custody of his eldest son Samuel. In a letter to me from Letitia Pickens (grand-daughter of Samuel and Mary Pickens Minnis), from Rome, Georgia, 1946, she stated that "my great-grandfather Minnis and his



brother came from Ireland and he and his brother separated. His brother wrote to him that he was on the eve of moving but would write to him, but he never heard from him again. The two boys owned land in Ireland and the deeds were made to stand as long as wood grew and water ran." She also said that her great uncle Jimmie Minnis prepared three times to go to Ireland to see about the estate over there. The last time he was all ready to go, but when he put on his overcoat, he looked down at the buttons and said, "I will not get to go, I am anchored out." (The buttons were upside down with the anchor pointing down-ward). He died in a short while afterward."

In the home of Letitia Pickens, Rome, Georgia, I found the authentic Bible record of John and Nancy McCammon Minnis, which I quote:

"John Minnis b March 21, 1750 d April 15, 1821. Nancy McCammon Minnis, his wife, b 1762, d April 7, 1837." Their children are listed as:

1 Samuel	b January	9, 1770
2 Susan	b December	5, 1787
3 Thomas	b October	23, 1791
4 John	b February	8, 1794
5 Robert	b February	8, 1796
6 James	b December	29, 1797
7 William	b December	25, 1799
8 Agnes	b December	5, 1804

Some record of their children has been found in the Minnis book and elsewhere.

1. Samuel Minnis, the oldest child, married Mary Pickens and their record is in our Pickens book.

2. Susan Ewing Minnis, was born Dec. 5, 1787, and died Jan. 28, 1813, in Blount County.

3. Thomas Minnis was born Oct. 23, 1791, went to Howard County, Missouri and married Parmela Warren.

4. John Wain Minnis was born Feb. 8, 1794, married Nancy Warren Nov. 14, 1816 and moved to Missouri.

5. Robert Minnis was born Feb. 8, 1796, lived in Bradley County, Tennessee and his children were, James Crawford, Jane Eliza, John G., Mary Eliza and Nancy Sarah.

6. James Minnis was born Dec. 29, 1797. He went, when a young man, with his brother Samuel to Alabama. He was a tailor for a number of years. He married Ianthe Jane Gruggett of Edmondson County, Kentucky. They lived in Aberdeen, Mississippi.

7. William Minnis (Rev. William D. D.) was born Dec. 25, 1799 and died at New Market, Tennessee, May 5, 1863. He was pastor of the New Market Presbyterian church (1849-1859). He married Catherine Eliza Coonts, in Blount County, Tennessee, April 8, 1826, who was of English Ancestry. Their children were: Sarah Ann, Mary Louise, Nancy Iantha, Catherine Eliza, Clementine, John Beaman, William Boaz and James Hunter. (Minnis Book).

Of the last named children, John Beaman Minnis spent a great part of his life at Knoxville, Tennessee. From his obituary in a Knoxville newspaper I gleaned these facts about him. The burial service was July 11, 1923 at his home on West Cumberland. He had died on Tuesday at Fort Sanders Hospital on his 85th birthday. The services were conducted by Dr. W. R. Dawson and Dr. E. A. Elmore. He was buried in Old Grey Cemetery.

He was born in Jefferson County, Tennessee, July 10, 1838 at New Market. He became Col. in the Civil War. Afterward he had a grocery store on Wall Avenue. Later he acquired property and erected the Minnis Building on Wall Avenue.

He married Miss Caroline Thornburgh who survives him. There were no children but they adopted and raised three children. Five years before, they had celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at Lakeland, Florida, where they had another home.

Col. Minnis graduated from Maryville College in 1861. He was an elder in the Second Presbyterian church for more than twenty-five years. He was a trustee of Maryville College at the time of his death. At one time he was connected with the Post Office. He helped to establish other churches, was connected with the Y.M.C.A. etc. While in government service he received eight different commissions.

William Boaz Minnis, brother of Col. John B. Minnis was born Dec. 20, 1841, on a farm near Morristown, Tennessee. He was a merchant at New Market. He married Augusta Pierce of New Market, Tennessee and died about 1912. The children of William B. and Augusta Pierce Minnis are: William Edward, Lucy, Samuel Pierce, Mary, Helen Iantha, Ethel, and India Minnis. Of these, Lucy Mary and Helen are dead. William E. and Samuel operate stores in New Market and Morristown. Ethel and India and their brother Samuel Minnis live in the Minnis home at New Market, in which place I got their record and copied from the Minnis book.

8. Agnes Minnis was born Dec. 5, 1804. Her name was evidently, also Nancy, as both in the Blount County marriage licenses and in the Minnis book she is Nancy Minnis with the same date as Agnes in the old Minnis Bible record. I found a notation that long ago Agnes was often called Nancy. She married Joseph Henderson Jan. 8, 1828 in Blount County. In the Parham record this transaction is given. "Joseph Henderson and wife (Nancy Minnis) sold interest in 538 acres on 9 mile creek as heirs of John Minnis. We sell to Robert Minnis. We are one of seven shares. Land joins James Houston, Col. James Tedford and W. J. Miller. Dec. 2, 1837."

From the Minnis book there is further history of this family. They went from Tennessee to Indiana in 1838. Then to Missouri about 1840. Five years later they returned to Tennessee. Then they lived for a time in Georgia and in the autumn of 1850 again made Missouri their home. They lived in northwest Carrol. They were buried in Missouri. Their children are given as Susan A. b Nov. 28, 1828, married William Cunningham; John M. b Dec. 30, 1831, married Caroline Miller; William, b March 15, 1834, married Mattie Baird; Joseph and James B. Henderson.



## McCAMMON HISTORY

From various sources I have collected some older McCammon history. From the Minnis book, three McCammon brothers accompanied their brother-in-law John Minnis and his wife Nancy Susan McCammon Minnis to America. These brothers are listed as John, Samuel and Thomas McCammon. Their parents were Samuel and Susannah (Anderson) McCammon of Tyrone, Ireland.

W. A. McCammon (now deceased) of Denver, Colorado, wrote a McCammon history in 1937. In it is a very complete record of John McCammon from whom he is descended. He also included quite a bit of general information concerning McCammons in various parts of America. He mentions Samuel McCammon and Thomas McCammon, brothers of his ancestor, John McCammon. A copy of his book is in the Lawson-McGhee room at the Library at Knoxville, Tennessee, and it should be of special interest to the McCammons of this and other areas.

From his record John McCammon was born in 1757 and died in Blount County April 23, 1838. He married Elizabeth Upton May 14, 1798. She was born in 1765 and died Jan. 22, 1827. Both she and her husband are buried at Eusebia cemetery. John McCammon designated "his brother Thomas McCammon as executor of his estate with son Samuel" when his will was probated in 1838. Andrew McCall and Thomas McCammon were witnesses.

The children of John and Elizabeth Upton McCammon are:

1 Mary	b February	21, 1799
2 Samuel	b January	24, 1801
3 Susan	b August	18, 1802
4 Elizabeth	b March	27, 1804
5 Lettie	b December	17, 1805
6 William	b September	10, 1809

1. Mary McCammon married James Coker.

2. Samuel McCammon m—Elizabeth Montgomery. He d Jan. 3, 1860, He wrote a diary (1846-1854).

3. Susan McCammon m—Daniel Sayne, d June 22, 1861 and is buried at Eusebia.

4. Elizabeth McCammon m—William Keith.

5. Lettie McCammon m—George Kirby.

6. William McCammon d—Oct 28, 1851 and is buried at Eusebia.

From the Parham record Samuel McCammon, brother of the John McCammon above, was on a commission to view a road east of Maryville in 1795. He was also on the grand jury in 1795 and a juror in 1799. He also bought land in Blount County Nov. 16, 1816.

He made a will April 16, 1840 in which he left his property to his two minor daughters, Margaret Ann and Susannah McCammon. Three tracts of

land are described as being in District No. 1, Blount County, Tennessee. They were adjoining lands of Samuel Tulloch, Samuel M. Logan, John Caldwell, Samuel Thompson, James M. Tulloch, John Crye and Samuel Best. All the personal property was to be divided between the daughters after the debts were paid. William Williams was the executor and the witnesses were Samuel McCammon, Robert McTeer and James M. Tulloch.

From the W. A. McCammon record, Samuel McCammon died in 1841 and from scraps of information, the inference is that he was buried in the old Dunn burial place in Knox County, Tennessee. Margaret McCammon married Boyd McMurry of Knox County and Susannah McCammon married Col. William C. Pickens, Blount County. They sold their inheritance in District No. 1 on Nine Mile Creek in Blount County Feb. 4, 1862. The transaction was signed by Robert and Harrison Pickens, the purchaser was Allen Anderson and the acreage was 256 and one-half acres, (Page 297, Book AA-Trustees Office, Maryville, Tenn.)

Thomas McCammon, the other brother of John McCammon, was born June 12, 1768 and his record has already been given.

An interesting diary was kept by Samuel McCammon, son of the John McCammon of Mr. W. A. McCammon's lineage, and at least part of it is included in his record at the library. From it I quote: "Ate dinner at Aunt Sally's—went to the Smokies, Aug. 10, 1846. Lodged with Aunt Sally McCammon Oct. 16, 1846." April 29, he speaks of business with a John McCammon who lived across the river. "May 19, 1850, Caroline, self and Anderson went over the river to Salem to church and Anderson went home with R. Pickens to see his mother." June 17, 1854 he "spent the night with cousin Samuel." At one time he went over the river to Aunt McCammon's and "purchased of her a beef heifer."

### THE PICKENS COAT OF ARMS

He Beareth Arms: Found in Burke's General Armory, Scotland.

Azure, six plates argent: crest, a demi-lion, rampant argent.

Translated into non-Heraldic terms: A blue (azure) shield with six silver plates arranged in 3, 2, 1, beginning at the top.

The demi-lion rampant issuing from the wreath of the two main colors of shield: silver and blue.

Metal is always named first in wreath, alternating with the color.

The plate or silver rounds denotes generosity. The demi-lion or one half of the lion means the same as the whole animal. The lion always held a high place in Heraldry as the emblem of deathless courage.

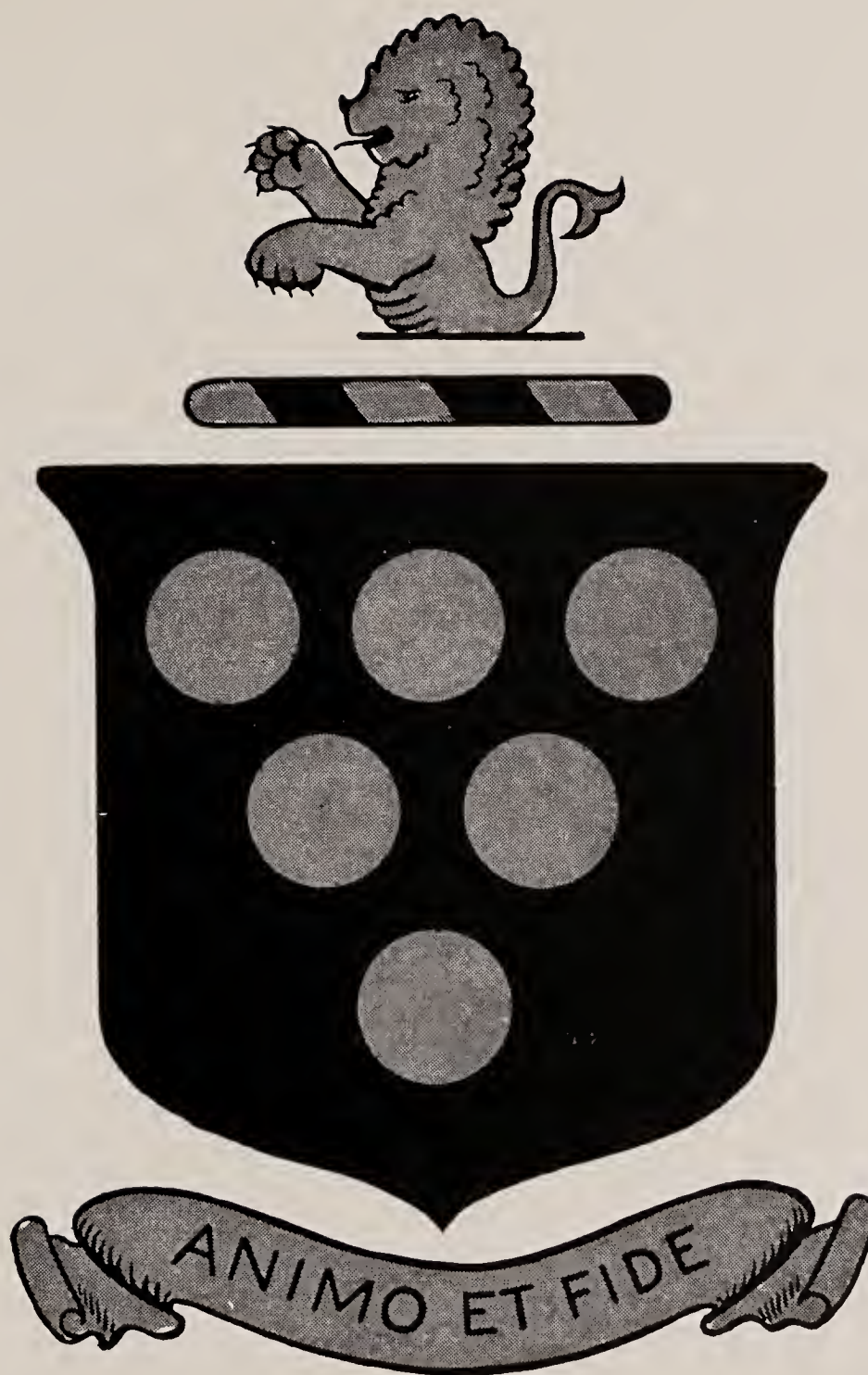
Guillien speaking of the lion says: "It is the likely image of a good soldier, who must be valiant of courage, strong of body, polite in council and a foe to fear." It is the emblem of St. Marks.

Colors are personal characteristics granted to the bearer only on merit.

Blue signifies loyalty; silver sincerity and peace.

(Print of the Coat of Arms and the description—courtesy of Kate Pickens Day)





Pickens

The Pickens Coat of Arms  
(Courtesy of Mrs. Kate Pickens Day)





## FINAL GLEANINGS

Information which has come in since the record went to press is being included here. Where it is connected with foregoing records, the corresponding pages are given at the beginning of the information.

P. 62 The record of the children of Samuel and Malinda Rule McCammon is:

1. MARGARET ANN (Peggy) McCAMMON was born Sept. 21, 1876 She died Feb. 10, 1926. She married James Davis October 6, 1901. He was born Dec. 3, 1874, died March 19, 1937 and he and his wife are buried at Prospect Baptist Church in the region of Nail's Creek. Their children are:

(a) Johnnie Mae	b August	4, 1902
(b) Twins—boy and girl	b July	28, 1904
(c) Gladys Cordelia	b July	28, 1905
(d) Samuel Raymond	b February	3, 1907
(e) Edith Evelyn	b July	29, 1908
(f) A girl	b December	13, 1910
(g) A girl	b January	22, 1912
(h) A son	b May	24, 1913
(i) A girl	b June	14, 1914

Of the above children, (b), (f), (g), (h) and (i) all died as infants. (a). JOHNNIE MAE McCAMMON married John Yearout December 24, 1922. They have five children. (e). EDITH EVELYN McCAMMON married Marshall Ogle and they live in Weir's Valley, Sevier County.

2. CHARLES McCAMMON was born August 1, 1878, died September 16, 1949 and is buried at the Cedar Grove Baptist Church on Nail's Creek. He was a farmer on Nail's Creek. He married Leah Pryor Sept. 21, 1905 She was born March 3, 1886 and lives at the home. Their children are:

(a) Hazel	b January	23, 1907
(b) Mildred	b January	15, 1908
(c) Fred	b April	12, 1909
(d) Victor	b February	9, 1912
(e) Charlcie Leah	b February	21, 1914
(f) Roy	b June	7, 1915
(g) Edward	b December	21, 1918
(h) Paul	b April	2, 1920

(b) MILDRED McCAMMON married Cecil Mize. (c). FRED McCAMMON married Estelle Griffitts. (d). VICTOR McCAMMON married Sally Knight. (e). CHARLCIE McCAMMON married Don McClurg. (f). ROY McCAMMON married Pearl Claiborne. (g). EDWARD McCAMMON married Emma Claiborne. (h). PAUL McCAMMON married Edith DeLozier. All live in the region of Nail's Creek and are affiliated with churches, mostly the Cedar Grove Baptist Church.

3. ALVIN McCAMMON was born November 12, 1880, died April 6, 1925 and is buried at Eusebia Cemetery. He married Charity Thomas, February 12, 1905. She was born July 12, 1882 and is the daughter of Joseph H. and Lavenia Cunningham Thomas. She lives at the farm home at Nail's Creek. All the family are active members of the Cedar Grove Baptist Church. Their children are:

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| (a) Aldon        | infant who died     |
| (b) Guy Raymond  | b February 12, 1908 |
| (c) Joseph       | b October 20, 1910  |
| (d) Alfred Alvin | b March 25, 1919    |

(b). GUY McCAMMON married Irene Hazel Hines, October 23, 1928. She was born Sept. 24, 1907. The home is at Maryville and Guy is employed at Costner-Eagleton Motors. There are no descendents.

(c). JOSEPH McCAMMON married Eunice Pryor May 11, 1934. She was born January 23, 1915. The home is on the farm at Nail's Creek and the children are:

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| (1) James Alvin | b April 12, 1940    |
| (2) Burl        | b December 28, 1941 |

(d). ALFRED McCAMMON married Marjorie Elizabeth Davis Sept. 21, 1940. She was born April 2, 1919. Alfred served in World War II. He is employed at the Aluminum Company at Alcoa and the home is at Maryville. There are no descendents.

4. COWAN McCAMMON was born Sept. 14, 1882, died about 1915, and is buried at Eusebia. He married Bunny Dennis and she is also deceased. Their children are:

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| (a) Ethel Melinda | b September 27, 1911 |
| (b) Clyde         | b May 19, 1913       |

(a). ETHEL McCAMMON married (1) 1929, Horace Williams who died in 1945. Their child is:

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| (1) David Allen | b April 25, 1939. |
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Ethel married (2) Robert M. Renfro. He is employed at the Knox Stove Works. The family are connected with the Arlington Baptist Church.

(b). CLYDE McCAMMON married Edna Russell July 10, 1938. She was born Nov. 14, 1916. Clyde is employed in government work. They are connected with Arlington Baptist Church. Their children are:

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|---------------------|-----------------|
| (1) Charlotte Ann   | b April 8, 1942 |
| (2) Clyde Samuel S. | b May 9, 1946   |

5. LETTIE McCAMMON was born May 29, 1886, died Nov. 6, 1921, and is buried at Zion Lutheran Church. She married Albert Houser. He was born Dec. 17, 1886 and died October 17, 1928. The home was at Chandler Station, Blount County and their children are:

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|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| (a) Ruth Irene | b February 7, 1914                |
| (b) A girl     | b December 10, 1915—died same day |



(c) Clara Mae	b February	8, 1917
(d) Millie Cornelia	b January	22, 1921

6. HARRISON McCAMMON was born October 30, 1892. He married Annie Davis in June, 1908. She was born Feb. 20, 1894. They live on a farm at Wildwood Springs and the children all live in that section except Margaret and family who live at Peoria, Illinois. The church affiliation is with the Cedar Grove Baptist Church. The children are:

(a) Margaret	b May	30, 1912
(b) Lawrence	b August	4, 1914
(c) Raymond	b 1916—Died	when 19 years old
(d) Mike	b October	23, 1918
(c) Viola	b July	30, 1923
(f) Leona	b January	20, 1927
(g) Davis	b August	23, 1935

(a). MARARET McCAMMON married Charles Reagan; (b). LAWRENCE McCAMMON married Sarah Frances Vineyard; (d). MIKE McCAMMON married Betty Lawson; (e). VIOLA McCAMMON married Fred Willocks.

7. JOSH McCAMMON was born Sept. 24, 1893. He married Anne Elizabeth Cummings September 16, 1916. She was born January 24, 1895. Their home is in South Knoxville. They are connected with the Methodist Church at Vestal. Their child is:

(a) Reba June	b August	30, 1917
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(a). REBA JUNE McCAMMON married Keith G. Sherrod Aug. 24, 1938. He is a certified public accountant with the Gillespie-Sherrod Company. They live near the home of her parents. They have two adopted sons, David and Dennis McCammon.

Page 88. Dr. and Mrs. Charles McCammon have a son born Dec. 8, 1951.

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Page 65. James Cunningham graduated from the University of Tennessee in 1941. He is employed as the County Agent of Greene County, Tennessee, and the home is at Greeneville. His wife was the daughter of Bart and Lillian Ford Anderson.

Page 72. I have had further information from U. Jerome Cruze and will quote from his letters. He graduated from Gibbs High School, Knox County, attended the University of Tennessee for one year and graduated with a B.S. degree in Psychology from the Arizona State College at Tempe, Arizona. While there he was a member of the student body committee. Superintendent of the College Sunday School, Regimental Commander of the ROTC Cadet Corp of the school, holding the rank of Cadet Col. in his senior year. He was also assistant editor of various school and Air Force Cadet publications.

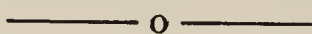
He entered service in the Air Corps Aug. 8, 1942. He left for overseas Oct. 12, 1943, serving 23 months in Europe with the 8th Air Force. He was discharged from service Nov. 15, 1945. He was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant August 8, 1949 and recalled to active duty Oct. 20, 1950 and assigned

to Hickam Field on the Island of Oahu, of the Hawaiian Group. His activities are described as follows:

"After serving for 6 months at Hickam Field, supervising the morale of the men I was transferred to the Island of Johnston, also of the Hawaiian Group, as Education and Information and Public Relations Officer in which capacity I am still acting. I have also a Military Occupational Specialty as an Assistant Psychologist. My job here is to supervise the educational program among the men, as well as administer it, of course. I also am responsible for the morale of the men here, I also handle all personnel affairs and matters pertaining to public relations between the Military element of this Island and civilian agents and agencies as well as inter-service relations. My duties never cease as you can well imagine, and I find each aspect of my work very interesting and eagerly anticipate each forthcoming change as a new challenge". In the midst of all these activities he is studying law through an extension course in his spare time. He plans to save money enough to get a Ph. D. in Psychology when he is released from service.

Jerome Cruze married Mar. 8, 1946. Children—Phillis LaVerne, born Feb. 12, 1947 and a son, born July 12, 1950.

He says, "my wife and kiddies are now living in Honolulu alone. As this Island is only three hours flight from the Island of Oahu, I get up once a month on business for 7 to 10 days during which time I am able to live at home with my family. I am all through at this station now however and expect to leave sometime this week to return to Hickam Field". He and his wife are anxious to get back home as neither of them has been home for three years.



Page 72. Further record of the Gallagher boys is contained in a November, 1951 account of them: Quote:

Three of the four Gallagher brothers who joined the Air Force together have received a "mass" promotion to the rank of corporal at Erding Air Force Base in Germany.

The boys have sent their mother, Mrs. G. C. Looney, 2823 Middlebrook Pike, a clipping from their service newspaper at the base which describes them as "Erding's Triple Threat."

The oldest brother, Albert 22, is assigned to airborne radar, the paper says. Jim, 21 and Paul, 20, are working with ground control approach. The youngest brother, Pfc. Raymond, 19, is stationed at Pope Air Force Base, N. C., but he hopes to join his brothers in Germany.

When the Korean war broke out, all four went through basic training, living in the same barracks. The three at Erding had nine months of radar mechanics school at Keesler Field, Miss. All applied for overseas duty at the same time.

The boys saw alike, too, in the matter of matrimony—there have been three weddings in four months in the family: James married Miss Dorothy Steele June 7, Albert married Miss Nana Anderson June 9 and Raymond married Miss Elaine Morrison Oct. 4.



Page 37. The connection of Rev. E. M. Sharp with Pickens history has already been shown. He is now pastor of the First Methodist Church of Starkville, Mississippi. He sent something of his own history and other family connections. His information ties in with his lineage already given and also includes the names of Sharp and Henry, both very familiar names of this section. Quote:

ERON MALCOLM SHARP, born Jan. 12, 1904 at Walnut Grove, Mississippi, the son of Robert H. Sharp and his wife, Minnie Catherine Henry, both natives of Leake County, Mississippi. Attended Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi 1923-27 and graduated with A.B. Degree in 1927. Attended Duke University Divinity School, 1929-31, graduated with M.A. Degree in 1931. Became a Methodist Minister and united with the North Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Church in the fall of 1931. Married on April 26, 1932 to Alma Blissitt of Tishomingo, Mississippi. No children. At one time Professor of Bible at Grenada College for Women, Grenada, Mississippi. Has served charges in the North Mississippi Conference at Iuka, Rienzi, Olive Branch, Hernando, Aberdeen, New Albany, and is at present pastor of First Methodist Church, Starkville, Mississippi. Elected Secretary of the North Mississippi conference in 1938 which office he still holds.

MINNIE CATHERINE HENRY, daughter of Joseph Alexander Henry and his wife Elizabeth Phillips, was born in 1872 and died in 1915 at Edgewood, Texas. Married Robert H. Sharp in Leake County, Mississippi in 1897. Five children born to this union:

1. Cronje Sharp—born 1899—died 1900.
2. Eron M. Sharp—born January 12, 1904—
3. Aubrey Maxwell Sharp—born 1910—died 1911.
4. Frances Louise Sharp—born March 28, 1913—At present a student in Scarritt College for Christian Workers, Nashville, Tennessee, preparatory to becoming a full time Director of Religious Education.
5. Robert H. Sharp, Jr.—born October 25, 1915—died June 9, 1944.  
He was a fighter pilot in the Air Corps and lost his life in the English Channel on June 9, 1944, three days after the invasion of France. He had attained the rank of Captain.

JOSEPH ALEXANDER HENRY, born in 1839 — died in 1925, was son of Andrew Pickens Henry, and wife Hulda Huddleston Ray, who were married in Greene County, Alabama in 1833 and moved immediately to Neshoba County, Miss., where they settled among the Indians, before their removal to Oklahoma. The Henrys remain in Neshoba county to this day.

ANDREW PICKENS HENRY, born in 1811 in Tennessee was the son of Rev. John Madison Henry and his wife, Jane Pickens. John M. Henry was a pioneer Baptist preacher in Alabama, coming there with Andrew Jackson during the Creek War of 1812-14 and remained. Settled first in Jones Valley where the city of Birmingham now stands, organized a church there called Canaan and was pastor of Ruhama Baptist church which is still a strong church in Bir-

mingham. Later he moved to Greene County, Alabama, and about 1840 to Neshoba county, Mississippi where he died in 1845. His wife Jane Pickens Henry died in Scott County, Mississippi in 1851. They were parents of 9 children. Andrew Pickens Henry was the eldest.

John Madison Henry, was the son of Samuel Henry and his wife whose name is not known. Samuel Henry lived in Anderson County, S. C., in 1790 and in 1803 moved to Livingston County, Kentucky where he died later.

The Sharp family is an old Scotch-Irish family which came to Pennsylvania around 1740. Edward Sharp removed to Mecklenburg County, N. C. where he died in 1790. Among his sons was one named James Sharp, who married Margaret Cunningham, daughter of Roger Cunningham and wife Mary Sturgeon. James and Margaret moved to Greene County, Georgia in 1812, later moving to Alabama in old age.

Marshall Sharp, one of the sons of James and Margaret Sharp, born in 1798 married Matilda McGough of Greene County, Georgia (her father John McGough born in Ireland in 1751, came to America as a child of 10, fought in revolution from Mecklenburg County, N. C. moved to Georgia) Marshall and Matilda Sharp moved to Montgomery County, Alabama in 1820 and to Tallapoosa County, Alabama in 1840. He died there in 1846 and his widow removed to Leake County, Mississippi with her family in 1858.

Marshall Lafayette Sharp, a son of Marshall and Matilda Sharp, born in 1836, died in Edgewood, Texas in 1896. Was a soldier in Civil War in Alabama Regiment attached to Stonewall Jackson's Army of the Valley of Virginia and fought with Jackson throughout the war till Jackson's death and was then assigned to Longstreet's Corps. He married Mattie Jane Ware in 1865 and settled in Leake County, Mississippi. Removed to Edgewood, Texas in 1891. They had seven children.

Robert H. Sharp, Sr., was the fifth child of Lafayette and Mattie Sharp. Born in 1874 and died in 1949 at Carthage, Mississippi. Married Minnie Catherine Henry and they are parents of E. M. Sharp.



Page 21. Additional information has been received from Mr. A. W. Starratt, Chevy Chase, Maryland, concerning his ancestry which ties in with that already given on page 21 of William Pickens. Quote:

"The father of William G. Pickens was Abram (or Abraham) Pickens and his mother was Elizabeth. When they moved from Abbeville, S. C. to Maury County, Tennessee in 1806, the family also included several girls; the census of 1790 shows for Abraham Pickens, one daughter, and the census of 1800 shows five daughters. Abram Pickens died in Maury County, Tenn., in February, 1815; to care for his widow, Elizabeth, the Court, on Wednesday, Feb. 22, 1815, appointed three men to apportion one year's provisions out of the personal estate of the deceased. (Will Book A VI Page 235). These three made a report to the Court dated March 14, 1815, entered in Minutes 2A, 1813-1816, on May 17, 1815. The reports of the administrator



of the estate of Abram Pickens, Wm. Neill, including the inventory of the estate taken Feb. 22, 1815, and the list of property sold on March 14, 1815, were not entered in the Court's records until April 23, 1824 (Volume C). At the time of Abram's death there were two minor sons, John O. Pickens and Thomas Pickens, who are mentioned in reports filed with the Court on Feb. 15, 1827 (Wills D, Vol. 1, 1826-29, Page 247). Other heirs and devisees, named in Jan., 1827, (N457) are Margaret Henderson, Jane Scott, Elizabeth McCall, Hannah Pickens and Wm. C. Pickens. The census of 1820 gave Elizabeth as head of the family, with the following children in the home: 1 male under 16; 1 male between 16 and 18; one male between 16 and 26; two females between 16 and 26.

We have been unsuccessful in efforts to ascertain the names of the parents of Abram Pickens, although my brother-in-law searched in the Abbeville County records, and I searched, in 1947, with the aid of Mr. A. S. Salley, in Columbia, S. C., and, at another time, in Charleston. Land in his name was obtained by grant and we have not found names of his connections."

It appears from the history of this family that there might be a very close relationship between them and a John Pickens and the Scotts of Virginia.

A John Pickens of the early days of Augusta County, married Jane Scott, daughter of Samuel Scott. They first lived near Staunton, Virginia. In 1741-42 they were at Cub Run in the present county of Rockingham, Virginia. Robert Scott is mentioned as an executor of the estate of Samuel Scott in 1753.

Page 1306 of the Annals of Southwest Virginia, "John Scott and Anne, his wife lived on land on the Middle Fork of Holston River." In Virginia history there is a notation of the mortgage of 400 acres of land from John Scott to John Pickens, December 1, 1756. The land was adjoining Cub Run with Colonel Woods on one side and James Busceter on the other. William Pickens was a signer in the transaction.

The following record from Mr. Starratt gives additional information of descendents of Rev. James Madison Pickens. Quote:

"The oldest son was James Madison Pickens who lives here next door to his sister, my wife. He married Mary Drown and they have one daughter, Marjorie Pickens Milner.

"The oldest daughter was Sallie Bruce Pickens who married John A. Snider. They lived in Birmingham, Ala., and had two sons, John Bruce Snider and Ralph Madison Snider. The former now lives in Birmingham. His first wife was Nannie Simmons Snider and they had one daughter, Bettie Bruce. After the death of his first wife he married Bessie..... Ralph Madison Snider married Margaret..... and they had twin daughters, Margaret and Lenore, both of whom are married. Ralph lost his life in an accident and his widow has remarried.

"Another son, William Hickman Pickens, married Lottie Greenbaum and they had two children, Charlotte Sarah and William Hickman, Jr. Charlotte Sarah Pickens married Joe Tracy and they had two children, Terry and Linda; she was married a second time, to George Moore, and they have one

daughter, Georgianna. William Hickman Pickens, Jr., married Sammie Bratton and they have one son, William Hickman Pickens, III.

"Another daughter, Carrie Bland Pickens, married Andrew W. Starratt and they have three children, Ruth Pickens, Andrew W. Jr., and Emily Bruce. Ruth Pickens Starratt married Edward F. Daly and they have one son, Edward F. Daly, Jr. Andrew W. Starratt, Jr., married Glendora Neely and they have one son, Andrew W. Starratt, III. Emily Bruce Starratt married Wells Warren Spence and they have three sons, Warren Andrew Spence, Roger Wells Spence, and William Wells Spence."

Now the work of writing the John Pickens Family history is ending. The material was selected with a view of meeting the needs of the various groups included in the book.

Some may not be at all interested in the more formal records of statistics but these will be appreciated by anyone in search of records and are of value in any family to keep as a reference book to use as needed.

The information given in the tabulation of families, personalizes the individuals and vitalizes the names. From a standpoint of places of residence, occupation, personal endeavor, fields of service in the various phases of life's endeavor, it is a completed story of the Pickens families from early beginnings to the present time.

I hope no one becomes discouraged with the bulk of the information before having given enough thought to it for an understanding of the material. The key to the lineage has been consistently followed. Familiarize yourselves first with your own particular line of descent and the connection with the others will be easy to follow. I trust that all who procure or have access to a copy of this record will find it a valuable and treasured history. •

THE END





Pickens Reunion at Eusebia Church 1931.

From left to right — front row: Mrs. Roy Pickens, Mrs. Ham Cunningham, Mrs. Oliver Pickens, Mrs. James Sheddian, Mrs. Samuel Pickens, Mrs. Harrison Pickens, Mrs. John Pickens, Lelia Reagan, Mrs. Ruth Pickens, John Pickens, F. C. Pickens, Samuel Pickens, Jr., second row: Roy Pickens, Mrs. Sam Pickens, Mrs. Frances Beeler, Mrs. Frank Pickens, Mrs. W. O. Maxey, Mrs. H. F. Anderson, Mrs. Roy H. Beeler, Mrs. Homer Goddard, Barbara Ann Pickens, Iva Belle Pickens, Helen Anderson, Carolyn Anderson, Dorothy Reagan, Robert Pickens, Donald Pickens. Back row: W. O. Maxey, Tom McMurry, Rev. Grigsby, Samuel McMurry, Mrs. Joe Houston, Isabel Hutton, Viola Pickens, Helen Pickens, Mrs. Robert Pickens, Guilford Pickens, Paul Houston, Mary McMurry, Mrs. Will Cunningham, Lillian Sheddian, Mrs. Grigsby, Oliver Pickens, Hamm Cunningham.







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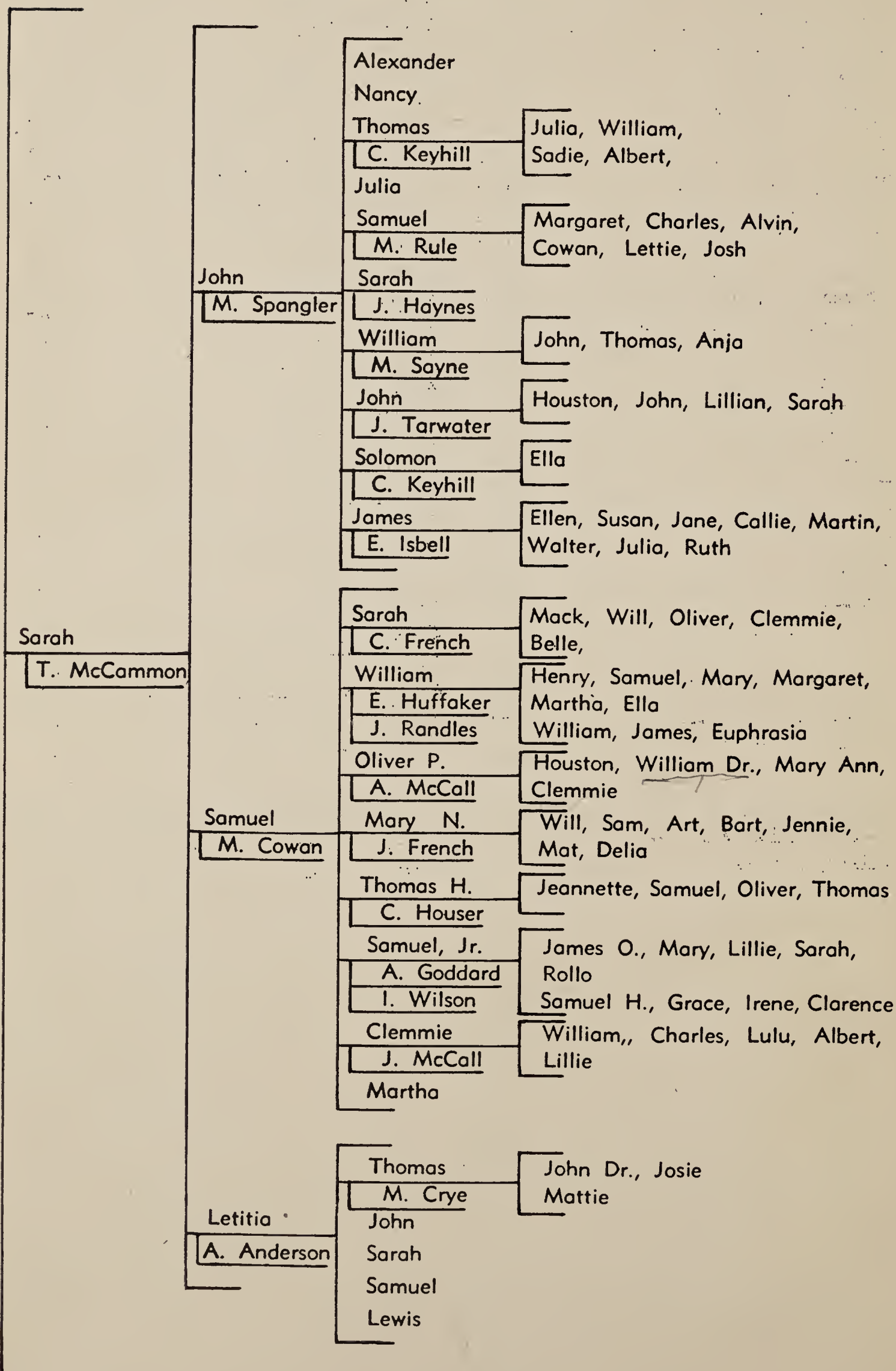
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F. Henderson	Nancy	
	J. Bogle	Jane, Joseph
	John P.	Francis, Mary, Wiley, Letitia, Clay, Jane,
	V. Ault	Lily, John, Charles, Oliver, Paul
John		
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	E. DeBusk	Mary
	M. Cheyne	Susan, Tennie
	S. Everett	Ellen, Hugh
	James	
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	William	
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	Mary	
Margaret		
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	James	
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James	William	Mark, Rachel, Letitia, Margaret, Susan
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	John	
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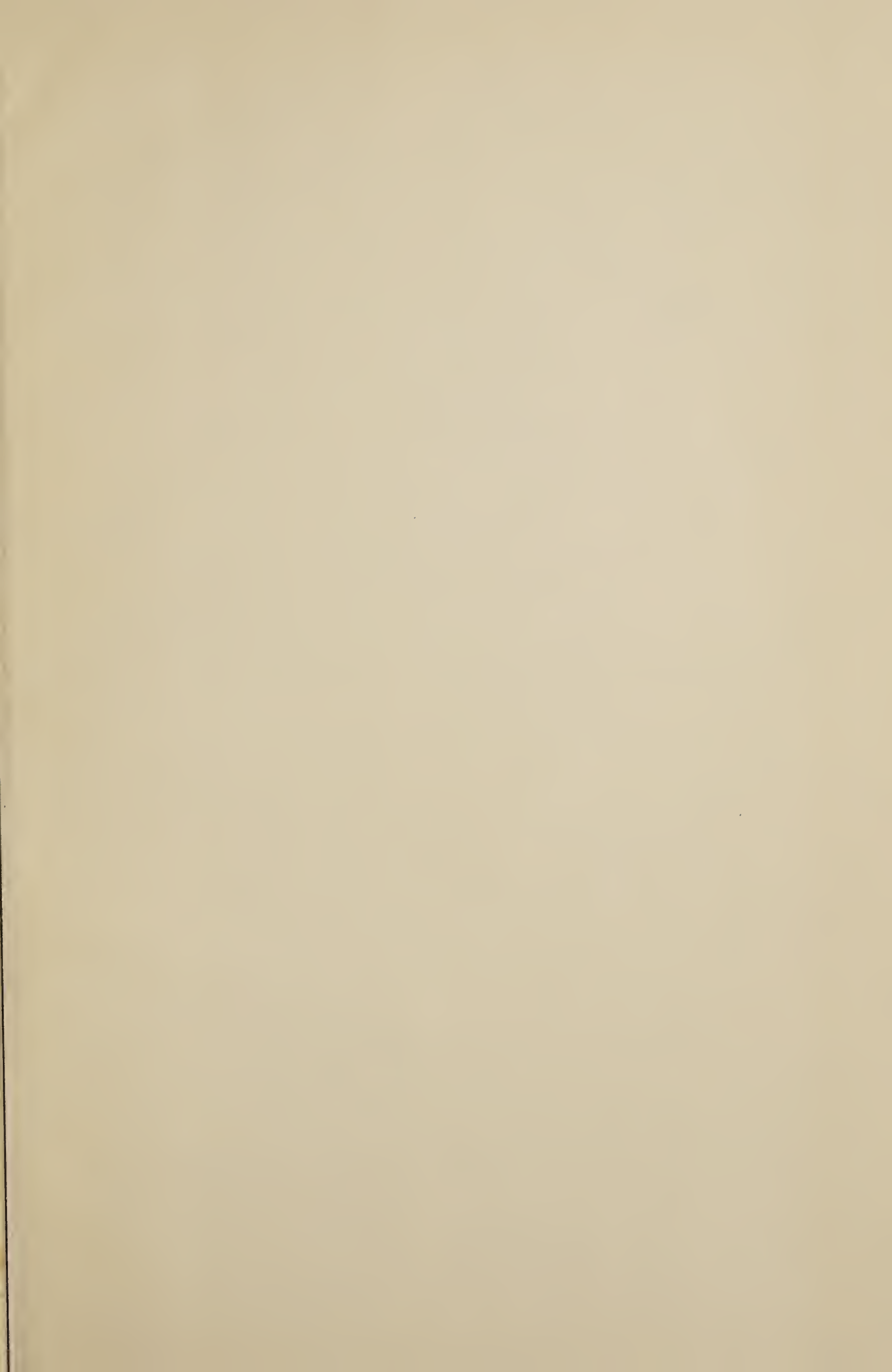
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